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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

After routine proceedings the Senate adjourned yesterday until Monday. —In the House an attempt was made to secure consideration of the Finance bill next week, but objection was made, on the ground that o important a bill should go through the regular channels. —Cubans at Tampa, Fla., are making incendiary speeches regarding the Ameri an occupation of Cuba. —The expectation of capturing Aguinaldo has been abandoned; he is supposed to be in Cavite province. —City Council of Charleston, S. C., has granted rights of way to the S. A. L's new line entering that city. —— Cotton mills in Augusta, Ga., and Langley, S. C., will advance wages of operatives. —The body of Mrs. Pottle, a widow lady, found in the river near Macon, Ga; foul play is suspected and a negro has been arrested as her probable murderer. —— The New York markets: Money on call closed rather firm at 5@7 per cent., last loan 6 per cent.; cotton quiet, middling uplands 7 11 16c; flour closed firm; wheat—spot steady, No. 2 red 74½c; corn—spot steady, No. 2 40¾c; oats—spot steady; rosin firm; strained common to good $1 40@1.50; spirits turpentine steady at 51½@52c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 7.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 33 degrees; 1 P. M., 45 degrees; maximum, 50 degrees; minimum, 33 degrees; mean, 42 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, .06.

Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. 5 1 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, December 7.—For North Caroli a: Partly cloudy and warmer Friday; fresh southwest rly winds. Saturday fair.

Port Almanac - Dec. 8.

Sun Rises	7.01 A. M.
Sun Sets	4 43 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H 42 M
High Water at Southport.	12.01 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington.	3.31 A. M

The British soldiers are having a pretty hot time in South Africa now, but they will have it hotter. January is the hottest month in the year down there.

Oklahoma thinks as she has a population of 400,000, and can show up $40,000,000 worth of property she is entitled to come into the family of States and sit around with the sisters.

A sanitary statistician figures out that for every soldier killed in war by bullets sixteen are killed by disease germs. This is a 16 to 1 question that our army managers would do well to give serious attention to.

A contemporary refers to Mr. McKinley as a "putty President." The gentleman who previously classed him with the jelly fish species, may object to this puttying business. Putty sticks and Mr. McKinley is not a sticker.

It is estimated by sporting statisticians that $250,000,000 are annually lost on the turf. Australia leads with $100,000,000, England follows with $50,000,000, the other $100,000,000 being distributed between other horse racing countries.

Milton Oppenheimer, a 16-year-old New York boy, heir to $5,000,000, has been missing for more than a week, and is supposed to be in the hands of kidnappers. Poor kids may slosh around without any apprehensions of being kidnapped.

Some one has invented an umbrella that will open and shut without provoking emphatic remarks. That's very good; but we still insist that what is really wanted is an umbrella that will come back after it has gone off with another fellow.

Estimates of the Secretary of the Treasury of Uncle Sam's expenses for the next fiscal year will foot up $631,081,944, about one-half of which will be for pensions and other military purposes. To foot the pension bill $145,000,000 will be needed.

In managing the Boer business down in South Africa, looking after 30,000,000 of hungry or starving people in India, and watching other nations that would like to take advantage of John Bull if he get into a tight place, the British statesmen will have about all they can attend to for some time to come.

Magistrate Crane, of New York, fined a man $3 for kicking a dog, "just for fun." When Mr. Bascom, a dog fancier and cultivator, of Rhode Island, saw that in the papers, he sent the Squire a fine thoroughbred collie, valued at several hundred dollars, as a testimonial of his appreciation of that fine.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Yesterday was "pay day" with the policemen and firemen.

— The tug *Protector*, of Charleston, with barge in tow for the Navassa Guano Company, arrived in port yesterday.

— Spirits turpentine was steady on the local market yesterday at 47½ @48 cents, a decline of a half cent over previous quotations.

— The Carolina Bicycle shop, Mr. C. H. O'Berry, proprietor, has an announcement of interest to the public at large in this morning's STAR.

— The Wilmington High School foot ball eleven had a meeting last night in the Y. M. C. A. parlors. It is probable that a game will be arranged to be played here Christmas with the Fayetteville Juniors.

— The schooner *John A. Breckerman*, lumber laden, from Georgetown bound for New York, was anchored yesterday off Cape Fear bar on account of high northeast winds.

— There was a meeting last night of the board of directors of the Young Men's Christian Association in the secretary's office. Nothing of public interest was transacted at the meeting.

— The dog cart brought in two animals for the city pound yesterday, and as a result the owners will be fined for negligence in not keeping them up as required in the new city ordinance.

— The handsome James residence, on the southeast corner of Third and Grace streets, is offered for sale. This is one of the most eligibly located and desirable pieces of property in the city.

— Orient Lodge of Masons have elected officers for the ensuing term as follows: J. W. Jackson, W. M.; W. P. Toomer, S. W.; A. M. Waddell, Jr., J. W.; Jas. C. Munds, treasurer; C. C. Brown, secretary.

— Clam dealers say, aside from the scarcity of these bivalves, prices are now very poor in the Northern markets. Messrs. Brooks & Taylor and Capt. W. A. Sanders are the largest shippers from this port.

— The cold weather of the past few days is causing wild ducks to be more plentiful in the waters hereabouts. Some of the sportsmen killed a fine lot down the Cape Fear yesterday.

— The steamer *Driver* arrived last night at 9 o'clock with a heavy general freight and a number of passengers from Fayetteville. Among her list of freight are nineteen head of cattle and about 500 barrels and casks of naval stores.

— Two large water barrels from aboard the late steamer *Catharine Whiting*, which went ashore during the recent storm near Little River, S. C., have been brought up to the city and are on exhibition at the store of Messrs. Brooks & Taylor, on Water street.

— The STAR has received from the United States Engineer's office, of this city, the annual report upon the improvement of certain rivers and harbors in North Carolina, in charge of Capt. W. E. Craighill and Capt. E. W. Van C. Lucas, of the Corps of United States Engineers.

— The schooner *Ira B. Ellems*, with the genial Captain Marston as master, cleared yesterday afternoon for Antigua with a cargo of rough and dressed lumber and shingles from the Kidder Lumber Company. She is consigned to Messrs. Geo. Harriss, Son & Co., and will sail this morning.

— The address of Rev. Dr. Calvin S. Blackwell at the opening of the State convention of the Baptist Young Peoples' Union at Asheville on "The Objects of the Meeting" is spoken of in the Asheville press as being one of the most eloquent and instructive addresses yet delivered on the occasion of the convention.

— Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the County Commissioners until December 15th at 2 P. M., for coffins for burial of the outdoor poor, for gas, for electricity and for keeping in repair the county clock in the court house tower for the year beginning January 1st, 1900. See notice in advertising columns.

— Messrs. Victor E. Zoeller & Co. yesterday sent out invitations to the opening of their magnificent new jewelry establishment at 104 North Front street, lately occupied by Mr. J. C. Munds, the druggist. They have a card in this morning's STAR announcing that they will be pleased to have the public visit their store to-day from 8 A. M. till 10 P. M.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Wanted—Sealed bids.
John C. James—For sale.
Masonic—Meeting Wil. Lodge.
C. H. O'Berry—Terrible accident.
J B. & J. C King—Hen turkeys.
Murchison National Bank—Report.
Atlantic National Bank—Statement.
Victor E. Zoeller & Co.—Opening announcement.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Lee H. Battle—For rent.
Wanted—Partner in drug store.

Capt. DeRosset's Condition.

A letter received by a friend in the city yesterday from Capt. A. L. DeRosset, who is at Pasteur Institue, New York, for treatment of a wound inflicted by the bite of a dog supposed to have been rabid, says he is recovering very satisfactorily, though his wound is yet quite sore. Capt. DeRosset will not return for several days yet.

A WORD TO THE WISE IS SUFFICIENT.

This Section Well Adapted to Cattle Raising. Virginia Dealers Buying and Shipping Cattle From Wilmington.

Eastern North Carolina is well adapted to cattle raising, and our farmers have sufficient encouragement to go into the business from the fact that there is a constant and growing demand for cattle in this section.

The farmers in the eastern counties even now are raising more cattle than one might suppose, and no doubt it will be surprising to many of our people to know that Wilmington is getting to be quite a cattle shipping point. Messrs. J. W. Huff and C. D. Dickerson, of Harrisonburg, Va., have made several trips here and have shipped about 4,000 cattle which they picked up in the surrounding counties. Yesterday they shipped three car loads of cattle from this city.

Mr. Huff was seen by a STAR reporter at the Bonitz House last night, and he stated that he finds that splendid cattle are raised in this part of North Carolina. He is an experienced stock man and while at Raleigh a few years ago, caught on to the fact from seeing a lot of cattle that was sent there from Sampson county. He immediately determined to get his cattle supply here, and says the only difficulty is he can't get enough of them. He states that it is all a mistake to suppose one must go to the mountains to get good cattle and says the farmers of Eastern North Carolina, with their mild climate and unequalled pasturing for the greater part of the year, have a splendid opportunity to engage in a profitable industry in raising cattle for the markets.

A word to the wise is sufficient.

FESTIVE WOODMEN LAST NIGHT.

Elected Officers and Enjoyed Lunch and Smoker—Installation in January.

Last night's meeting of Live Oak Camp No. 6, Woodmen of the World, was the regular time for the election of officers for the ensuing year, beginning January 1st, 1900, and in honor of the occasion and of the adoption into its ranks of a candidate for membership, a lunch was served by the Camp, which was partaken of and highly enjoyed by a large attendance of members.

Past Council Commander Thos. R. Post presided with his accustomed ease and grace and the affair was voted one of the most pleasant in the course of the year's lodge work. Each member was presented with a cob pipe and bag of tobacco as a souvenir of the occasion.

Following is a list of officers elected:
C. C.—W. G. A Oterson.
A. L.—E. D. Warren.
Clerk—Geo. C. Jackson.
Banker—W. H. Howell.
C. P.—Dr. C. D. Bell.
Managers—Benj. Bell, Dr. J. D. Webster and Thos. R Post.
Watchman—W. V. Sellers.
Sentry—Jno. L. Callahan.

These will be installed at the first regular meeting of the order in January.

First Visit to Wilmington.

Capt. N. N. Hampton, of Water Lily, Currituck county, N. C., arrived in Wilmington yesterday on his first visit to our city. He is accompanied by his son, Mr. E. A. Hampton and Mr. Thomas Taylor, also of Currituck. They have come down to look into the oyster, fish and game resources of this section and will visit New River, Wrightsville, Southport and other places on our coast.

The STAR has already noticed that the fish and oyster resources around Wilmington are attracting the attention of people in Virginia, several fish and oyster men having visited Wilmington recently.

Capt. Hampton is an old sailor and has been engaged in the coasting trade but, singular to relate, he never came to Wilmington before.

School Supplies.

Capt. E. W. Manning, County School Superintendent, yesterday purchased twenty-two wall maps for the use of the various white and colored schools in the county. The maps are very complete and will be a valuable adjunct to supplies already owned by the schools. They are probably 3x6 feet in size, printed on both sides —one being of the entire world with valuable printed geographical data and the other being of the United States with portions of the Dominion of Canada and the republic of Mexico. They are the standard Rand & McNally print and cost less than seventy-five cents each. They were being distributed yesterday.

The Tug Blanche.

The tug *Blanche* after her accident off Bald Head which was noted in yesterday's STAR, has completed temporary repairs and is again out for her harbor duty. When the tug *Alexander Jones* completes her repairs in Baltimore and returns, in about ten days, the *Blanche* will go on the ways for permanent repairs and thorough overhauling. Capt. J. W. Craig, of the Towing and Transportation Company, says that work on the *Jones* is progressing very satisfactorily indeed.

Account of Christmas holidays, the Seaboard Air Line will sell round trip tickets to all points east of the Mississippi and south of the Ohio and Potomac rivers, at one and one-third first class fare. Tickets will be put on sale December 23nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th with final limit January 4th, 1899.

THOS. D. MEARES.

THROUH SERVICE WANTED.

Chamber of Commerce to Co-operate With the Merchants' Association to Secure Quicker Time to New York.

Yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock was the time for the regular monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce but no quorum was present, hence no meeting was held.

A number of the members of the Chamber were present, and in accordance with the action of the Merchants' Association, Mr. W. E. Worth, president of the Chamber, appointed a committee to co-operate with the committee appointed by the Merchants' Association to urge upon the Atlantic Coast Line to give Wilmington direct through passenger service to and from New York. President Worth appointed as such committee Messrs. D. L. Gore, M. W. Jacobi and J. Allen Taylor.

At present passengers from Wilmington to New York and from New York to Wilmington have to lie over at Wilson. The object of the committee is to have direct connection with the through trains and at least to save passengers the necessity of changing cars.

MUSICALE THIS EVENING.

At the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium for Benefit of Fifth Street M. E. Church.

Miss Mariana Gillican, under whose direction a musicale for the benefit of Fifth Street Methodist Church will be given in the Y. M. C. A., auditorium this evening, has arranged a programme for the event which promises to be presented to a large audience, not alone for its excellence but for the very worthy cause for which the entertainment is provided.

Following are the selections that will be rendered by Miss Gillican's class:

Selection by Orchestra.
Vocal Solo—"Loves Sorrow"—(Shelly) Mr. Brunson.
Piano Duet—"The Dragoon Fighter," disses Shepard and Glameyer.
Vocal Solo—"Daddy"—(Bahrend) Miss Clara Belle Woodward.
Posing—Miss Gillican.
Vocal Solo—"Forget Me Not"—(Anita Owen) Mr. James Reilly.
Trio "Intermezzo"—(Caralleria Rusticana) Mr. Martin, Misses Glameyer and Gillican.
Vocal Solo—"Fancies"—(Stults) Miss Adrian.
Vocal Solo (to be selected), Mr. A. S. Holden.
Selection by Orchestra.

The entertainment will be begun promptly at 8 30 o'clock.

Admission twenty-five cents.

Impersonated Officer.

Ed. Mintz, a young white man, was tried in Justice McGowan's court yesterday for assault and battery, for which he was fined $10. The case was attended by rather unusual circumstances from the fact that the defendant, was charged with the assault growing out of the impersonation of an officer. It was adduced from the evidence that Mintz placed under arrest a white carpenter named Cumming and subsequently released him upon the payment of a bill of $1 15, which he came to collect in the peremptory manner described. It developed that the defendant was not a deputy sheriff as he claimed, nor had he any warrant for the arrest of Cumming.

Fine Record for Grace Church.

The conference year just closed has been the most successful, from a financial point of view, in the history of Grace M. E. Church. The amount raised for conference purposes was $6,261.29, including $422.90 for foreign missions and $478.32 for home missions.

The church has paid of debt and will start the next year with clean books. The membership of the church is now 623 and the Sunday school embraces 360 pupils and 48 teachers. There are six services of various kinds on Sundays. The church has a seating capacity of 800, exclusive of the connecting lecture room which will seat 350.

An Ill-founded Rumor.

A report was current on the wharf yesterday that James, the twelve-year old son of Capt. W. A. Robeson the popular master of the *A. P. Hurt*, had been drowned from the boat above Elizabethtown while on the up trip to Fayetteville. Many friends of Capt. Robeson were anxions about the rumor and were glad to learn from passengers on the steamer *Driver*, which arrived last night at 9 o'clock, that there was no truth in the report. The *Hurt* was passed by the *Driver* above White Hall and all was well so far as could be learned.

Brunswick Back Tax.

The Board of County Commissioners, of Brunswick county, have instructed Sheriff Walker to serve notice on the president of the Brunswick Bridge and Ferry Company that the authorities will enforce the collection of back taxes on the property of the corporation for five years past amounting to something over $300. The Southport *Standard* says that not until this week has official notice been taken of the fact that this corporation has not paid a tax to the county for a number of years.

An Interesting Lecture.

Rev. L. W. Curtis, late missionary to Siam, whose recent return from his labors in that country was noticed in the STAR, will be the special speaker at the next Sabbath 5 o'clock afternoon service at the Y. M. C. A. Rev. Mr. Curtis will also probably conduct the services at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church on Sunday night.

THE PIPE ORGAN FOR GRACE CHURCH.

The Purpose is to Have It On Hand When Conference Meets Here Next December—Society Met Last Night.

The Young People's Organ Fund Society of Grace M. E Church held a business meeting last night at the residence of the president, Mrs. John F. Garrell, on Third and Walnut streets.

The regular routine business was transacted. It was decided to infuse new life into the work of the society during the Winter, and the plan of meetings was changed. Instead of meeting at residences, as formerly, the meetings will hereafter be held in the lecture room of the church.

The object of the society is to raise a fund to purchase a fine pipe organ for the church, and it is proposed to close up the work in the coming six months, as it is proposed to have the organ put in for the 1900 session of conference, which no doubt will meet in Wilmington next year. The organ fund now amounts to something over $1,500.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. D. H. Wallace, of Wallace, was here yesterday.

— Mr. B. F. Rogers, of Concord, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. H. E. Wells, of Columbia, is a guest of The Orton.

— Mr. D. McIntyre of Parkton, was here on business yesterday.

— Mr. J. W. Jenkins, of Winston, is registered at The Orton.

— Mr. J. L. Bridgers, of Elrod, is in the city, making business calls.

— Mr. Eugene P. Albea, of Winston, has been here calling on the trade the past few days.

— Mr. R. N. VanEvera, representing Russell Grego & Son, of New York, is at the Bonitz House.

— Mr. H. M. Flagler, whose private car arrived here on Tuesday, left for the North yesterday morning at 9.45 o'clock.

— Col. and Mrs. Roger Moore left yesterday morning for Washington, N. C., to attend the M. E. Annual Conference in session there.

— Rev. Joseph R. Wilson, D. D., former pastor of the First Presbyterian church, is in the city and is the guest of Mrs. Isabell Robinson, No. 109 North Fifth street.

— Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Love returned last evening from a visit up the Cape Fear river. Mrs. Love visited relatives at Elkton and Mr. Love was on a business trip.

— Mr. W. W. Jones, the popular travelling representative of Mr. C. M. Whitlock, returned last evening from Raleigh and vicinity where he went on a business trip.

Pythian Election.

At the regular meeting of Germania Lodge No. 4, Knights of Pythias, last night, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term of six months, beginning January 1st:

C. C.—F. H. Krahnke.
V. C.—G. F. Seiter.
P.—J. W. H. Fuchs.
M. of W.—H. Burfeindt.
M. of E.—F. W. Ortmann.
M. of F.—H. L. Vollers.
K. of R. & S.—John Haar.
M. at A.—J. W. Duls.
I. G.—H. T. Duls.
O. G.—J. F. Soll.
Trustees—J. G. L. Gieschen, C. F. VonKampen, J. H. Kuck.

The above officers will be installed on the first meeting night in January.

North Carolina Sorosis.

The North Carolina Sorosis held its annual meeting yesterday afternoon at the club rooms in the Seaboard Air Line building. The President, Miss Margaret Gibson, presided.

After routine business, the officers and department made their annual reports. The business closed with the report of the president and a few remarks of welcome to the newly-elected officers.

The new officers then took their positions—Mrs. W. N. Harriss as president and Mrs. A. J. Howell, Jr., as secretary.

The department work of Sorosis has been very satisfactory and will close for the year this month. The new programme for the next year's work will be issued in January.

Has Received His License.

Robert Rourk, Esq., one of the promising and most popular young attorneys at the Wilmington bar, a few days ago received his license to practice law, which was withheld when he passed the Supreme Court examination several months ago on account of his having been under age. He has now passed both the examination and his twenty-first mile post in life and has the latch string of his office, room No. 5 in the new Masonic Temple, always on the outside for clients. The STAR predicts for him an abundantly successful legal career.

Mayor's Court.

There was only one case in the police court yesterday but out of it grew two. Sarah Mack, colored, was charged with an assault upon Fannie Watson, also colored, in Gerdes' alley between Queen and Wooster and Eighth and Ninth streets. The Mack woman was dismissed of the charge of assault and both participants in the "bout" were placed under $50 bond each to keep the peace.

N. C. CONFERENCE.

In Session at Washington—Bishop Hendrix Presiding—Addresses and Reports—Large Attendance.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

WASHINGTON, N. C. December 7.—The sixty third session of the North Carolina Conference, M. E. Church, South, met at 10 A. M. to-day; Bishop E. R. Hendrix, of Missouri, presiding, with large attendance. Rev. W. L. Cunninggim was elected secretary. The address of welcome was by Dr. L. L. Nash.

Rev. N. M. Jurney made satisfactory report on the Braxton-Craven memorial hall fund.

The Raleigh *Christian Advocate*, re-established last February, reported over four thousand subscribers.

Thirteen missionaries are reported in Cuba; two churches were established in Mexico since the last conference.

Trinity College is reported in the strongest financial condition of any college in the South Atlantic States. Greensboro Female College is reported in good condition.

Report by Rev. R F. Bumpass showed Wilmington district in the finest condition in years. All the Wilmington district members are here except Mr. W. H. Fussell, whose place is filled by Mr. A. J. Johnson.

MARRIAGE AT DUNN, N. C.

Miss Gerald Happily Wedded to Mr. Wilson in the Methodist Church.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

DUNN, N. C., Dec. 7, 1899.

The Methodist church last evening presented a scene of rare beauty, the occasion being the celebration of the marriage of Miss Ethel Gerald, a highly esteemed and charming young lady of Dunn, to Mr. C. L. Wilson, a popular young man, also of Dunn.

The ceremony was beautifully performed by Rev. W. A. Forbes, the pastor, and the following young ladies and gentlemen were attendants: Miss Bertha Gerald, sister of the bride, maid of honor, with Dr. J. B. Person, best man; Miss Ora Wilson, sister of the groom, with Mr. H. L. Newberry; Miss Gertrude Harper, with Mr. H. H. McKay; Miss Geneva Parker, with Mr. G. K. Massengill. Messrs. T. H. McNeill and W. S. Halford were ushers.

After the marriage the bridal party, together with a few invited guests, repaired to the home of Mr. A. R. Wilson, father of the groom, where a sumptuous supper was served and a reception tendered the party.

The bride and groom left this morning for an extended bridal tour to Northern cities.

MARRIAGE AT LAURINBURG.

Miss Lilian W. Covington to Mr. James P. McRae Wednesday Afternoon.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

LAURINBURG, N. C., Dec. 6th, '99.

In the Methodist Church here this afternoon at 5:30 o'clock, Mr. James P. McRae and Miss Lilian Covington were married by Rev. Jesse H. Page, assisted by Rev. John M. Rose, D. D. Mr. Rod McRae and Miss Annie C. Everett were the attendants, with Messrs. James W. North, James C. McEachin. John H. Cook and Dr. Peter John, as ushers. Mr. and Mrs. McRae left immediately for Northern cities.

COURT IN DUPLIN.

Trial of Robert E. Lee for the Murder of Stephen Phillips.

[*Star Correspondence.*]

KENANSVILLE, N. C., December 6.—The trial of Robert E. Lee, who on the 14th of November last killed Stephen Phillips with an axe, began here today at 2 o'clock. Lee was arraigned yesterday and a special venire of one hundred men was ordered. Solicitor Duffy is assisted in the prosecution by Col. A. C. Davis, of Goldsboro. The defendant is represented by Messrs. Leon Carleton, A. D. Ward and R. S. Grady.

Seven Sutherland Sisters.

The free exhibition of the Seven Sutherland Sisters at the pharmacy of Mr. J. Hicks Bunting, in the Y. M. C. A. building, is attracting considerable attention and everybody is invited to call and see the magnificent growth of hair of the ladies induced by the use of the famous hair grower and scalp cleaner which they are advertising. Ladies are requested to call at the pharmacy, where they may secure free advice as to how to treat the hair and scalp to obtain best results.

Do you want 2,000 or 3 000 old newspapers at your own price? If so, call at the STAR office. They make a cheap wrapping paper. †

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

ST. JOHN'S HALL, Nov. 21st, 1899.

Wilmington Lodge No. 319, A. F. & A. M.

EMERGENT COMMUNICATION this (Friday) evening at 7.30 o'clock, for work in Third Degree.

Visiting brethren welcome.

By order of W. M.

THOS. F. EAGLEY, Secretary.

dec 8 1t

FOR SALE.

That desirable piece of property situated on the south ass corner of Third and Grace streets, fronting on Third street 81 feet by 119½ feet on Grace s reet. Same being the western part of lots 1 and 2 in block 195

Property with improvements, consisting of large Three-Story Frame Dwelling containing eleven rooms, kitchen, servants' quarters, cistern, etc., with modern improvements, will be sold as a whole or in lots.

For further information apply to

JNO. C. JAMES.

dec 8 3t

A Terrible Accident.

A man shot himself fooling with a gun not properly repaired. Why not send your Guns, Pistols and Locks to us for repairs.

ALL WORK GUARANTEED

strictly by an expert Gun and Lock Smith. Keys fitted at your residence. Agent for the Benbow Automatic Gas Lamp. Cost half a cent an hour.

BICYCLES FOR SALE CHEAP. BICYCLE SUNDRIES.

Carolina Bicycle Shop.

C. H. O'BERRY, Prop. No. 16 Market street.

dec 8 tf

OPENING ANNOUNCEMENT....

VICTOR E ZOELLER & CO. invite the public to be present TO-DAY at the opening

OF THEIR NEW JEWELRY STORE

at 104 North Front street. 8 A. M. to 10.30 P. M.

dec 8 1t

FOR CASH YOU CAN GET HEN TURKEYS FOR 9 1-2c per lb. at J. B. & J. C. KING'S.

dec 8 tf

Bladen Co. Plantation for Sale.

I will sell my Bladen Place located about eight miles from Iarkton and five mil s from Elizabethtown, for Three Thousand Dollars. Contains 780 acres, of which 300 acres are under cultivation. Terms Fifteen Hundred Dollars cash, balance in one, two and three years, with interest at six per cent. Write

MRS. SALLIE BIZZELL, Elizabethtown, N C.

dec 27t

FOR SALE

A Desirable Building Lot on Princess street.

Also, a House and Lot on Orange street.

CUMMING

Real Estate Agent and Notary Public.

dec 6 tf

ORDERS SOLICITED

For Christmas Goods.

Candies, Nuts, Raisins, C. C. Nuts, Apples, Cakes, Fireworks, &c.

HALL & PEARSALL, WHOLESALE GROCERS.

dec 6 tf

Christmas Doubts

For a suitable present can be settled by a visit to my store, where you will find THE FINEST GOODS ever shown in this city from which to select a stylish, useful, practical present that will stamp you as an "up-to-date" inhabitant of a progressive city. Prices to suit all size purses Terms to suit everybody's convenience.

Open every evening till 8.30.

N. F. PARKER,

No 17 South Front street, Furniture & Furniture Novelties.

dec 5 tf

SEALED PROPOSALS

Will be received in this office up to 2.30 P. M., Dec mber the 15th, 1899, to furnish Coffins and Burial s of dead out-door poor; Gas by 1,000 for Jail; Electricity by 1,000 Watts for Court House, and for keeping in rep air County Clock in Court House tower; all for one year, beginning January 1st, 1900; ending January 1st, 1901.

Right is re-served to reject any or all bids.

Payment for service will be made either quarterly or month y, as preferred.

ROGER MOORE, Chairman Board County Commissioners.

December 7th, 1899. dec 8 1t

STATEMENT OF

Atlantic National Bank,

WILMINGTON N. C.

At the Close of Business Dec. 2nd, 1899, Condensed from Report to Comptroller.

RESOURCES.

Loans		$ 858,971 54
Overdrafts		8 79
U. S. Bonds (at par)		95,500 00
Banking House and Fixtures		10,000 00
Due from app'd reserve agt's	$ 79,160 98	
Due from other banks	169,160 99	
Cash on hand	79,831 51	327,652 78
Total		$1,292,333 11

LIABILITIES.

Capital		$ 125,000 00
Surplus and undivided profits		101,784 40
Circulation		41,040 00
Deposits U. S. Treas	$ 80,000 00	
Deposits from Banks	207,693 55	
Deposits from individuals	731,715 16	
Certificates of Deposit	35,000 00	1,021,408 71
Total		$1,292,333 11

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Dec. 2, '97.	Dec. 2, '98.	Dec. 2, '99.
Total deposits	$672,000	$874,500	$1,024,000
Surplus and net profit	75,200	87,500	101,784

Dividends Paid—6 Per Cent. Per Annum.

Last Instalment of Capital Paid in October 1892. dec 8 1t

REPORT

OF THE CONDITION OF THE MURCHISON National Bank at Wilmington, in the State of North Carolina at the close of business, December 2nd, 1899.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$278 653 88
Overdrafts secured and unsecured		583 32
U. S Bonds to secure circulation		50,000 00
U. S Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits		4,380 00
Stocks, securities, etc		2,000 00
Banking house furniture, and fixtures		750 00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)		73,821 13
Due from State Banks and Bankers		84,914 38
Due from approved reserve agents		32,248 88
Notes of other National Banks		7,200 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents		187 54
Revenue Stamps		402 12
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank viz:		
Specie	$ 1,000 00	
Legal tender notes	25,000 00	26,000 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treas'r (5 per cent. of circulation)		2,700 00
Total		$573,801 35

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$200,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	14,583 17
National bank notes outstanding	54,000 00
Due to other National Banks	22,706 79
Due to State Banks and Bankers	54,296 64
Individual deposits subject to check	226 775 92
Certified checks	500 00
Cashier's checks outstanding	887 83
Total	$573,801 35

State of North Carolina, county of New Hanover, ss.:

I, J V. Grainger, Cashier of the above-named bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. V. GRAINGER, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of December, 1899.

W. J. TOOMER, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest: H. C. McQUEEN, J. A. SPRINGER, W. B. RANKIN } Directors.

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Crockery,

GLASSWARE, &c.

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Cut Glass

Our Motto, NO FANCY PRICES, will Be strictly carried out. And is a Safe Guarantee to you that you are Buying right.

O. P. CAZAUX & CO.

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Vollers & Hashagen.

PROVISIONS.

In addition to our usual line, we offer

2,000 Bushels Texas Red Rust Proof Oats.

400 Bbls Choice September MULLETS.

The above is being closed out LOW DOWN

The very best sold in this town for.... 5c are Cuban Blossom and Renown Cigars.

You can't find their match. Try 'em one time.

VOLLERS & HASHAGEN, Agents for Mills and Factories.

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Holiday Goods.

Mixed Nuts, Cocoanuts, Mixed Candy and Plain. Raisins of fine quality.

Selling at Low Prices.

We also have Seed Oats, Seed Wheat and a complete line of Heavy Groceries.

Lowest Prices for Quality.

The Worth Company.

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BEST STOCK YET....

Our Apples on this week's steamer are fine. You should order your Penny Candies from us.

Our line is complete...

150 bundles new Cotton Ties less factory cost. Virginia Meal Standard brands Tobacco and Snuff. Everything. We are in business to serve you.

If you have anything to ship try us.

T. D. LOVE,

24 North Water Street.

Steamer for Fayetteville Mondays and Thursdays. Passengers, freight and towage. For rates apply to T. D. LOVE, General Agent.

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It Is You I Speak To

In regard to an up-to-date line of HOLIDAY GIFTS. Ladies as well as Gentlemen are requested to investigate quality as well as prices.

Watches, Clocks, Jewelry and Jewelry Novelties.

Fine Repairing a Specialty.

J. T. BURKE,

dec 5 1m No. 27 South Front street.

NOTICE.

Bids will be received by the Committee on Public Buildings of the Board of Aldermen until December 21st, 1899, for the rent of the Opera House for two (2) years from June 1st, 1900. Con ract to be executed and bond for rent given by lessee.

The committee reserves the right to reject any or all bids. JONH H. HANBY, Chairman.

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PUBLISHER'S ANNOUNCEMENT.

THE MORNING STAR, the oldest daily newspaper in North Carolina, is published daily except Monday, $5.00 year, $2.50 for six months, $1.25 for three months, 50 cents for one month to mail subscribers. Delivered to city subscribers at the rate of 45 cents per month for any period from one month to one year.

ADVERTISING RATES (DAILY)—One square one day, $1.00; two days, $1.75; three days, $2.50; four days, $3.00; five days, $3.50; one week, $4.00; two weeks, $6.50; three weeks, $8.50; one month, $10.000; two months, $17.00; three months, $24.00; six months, $40.00; twelve month, $60.00. Ten lines of solid Nonpariel type make one square.

THE WEEKLY STAR is published every Friday morning at $1.00 per year, 50 cents for six months, 30 cents for three months.

All announcements of Fairs, Festivals, Balls, Hops Picnics, Society Meetings, Political meetings, &c., will be charged regular advertising rates.

Advertisements discontinued before the time contracted for has expired, charged transient rates for time actually published.

No advertisements inserted in Local Columns at any price.

All announcements and recommendations of candidates for office, whether in the shape of communications or otherwise, will be charged as advertisements.

Payments for transient advertisements must be made in advance. Known parties, or strangers with proper reference, may pay monthly or quarterly, according to contract.

Remittances must be made by Check, Draft, Postal Money Order, Express or in Registered Letter. Only such remittances will be at the risk of the publisher.

Communications, unless they contain important news or discuss briefly and properly subjects of real interest, are not wanted; and, if acceptable in every other way, they will invariably be rejected if the real name of the author is withheld.

Notices of Marriage or Death. Tributes of Respect, Resolutions of Thanks, &c., are charged for as ordinary advertisements, but only half rates when paid for strictly in advance. At this rate 50 cents will pay for a simple announcement of Marriage or Death.

Advertisements inserted once a week in Daily will be charged $1.00 per square for each insertion. Every other day, three-fourths of daily rate. Twice a week, two-thirds of daily rate.

Contract advertisers will not be allowed to exceed their space or advertise anything foreign to their regular business without extra charge at transient rates.

Advertisements kept under the head of "New Advertisements" will be charged fifty per cent. extra.

Advertisements to follow reading matter, or to occupy any special place, will be charged extra according to the position desired.

The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON. N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 8.

A CANAL A NECESSITY.

Whatever the differences of opinion may be as to certain features in the message of the President, there will be pretty general agreement as to the favorable mention of the isthmian canal. The desirability of a waterway between the two oceans has been recognized for over half a century, it has been discussed more or less for over half a century, it has been before Congress in some shape a number of times, it has been endorsed by State Legislatures, it has been endorsed by the platforms of all the political parties, recommended by the Chambers of Commerce of numerous cities, advocated by representative speakers of the respective parties and by the press of the country regardless of politics, and yet we have progressed only so far in this work as the appointment of some committees to visit the proposed routes of the canals talked about and report their conclusions.

While we have been talking about a canal the Suez canal was built, in spite of the opinions of eminent civil engineers that it was an impracticable scheme; the trans-Siberian railway, a more colossal undertaking than this canal, has been practically completed, and while we are sti l talking about it that other great railway, conceived in the bold brain of Cecil Rhodes, connecting North and South Africa, will in all probability become an accomplished fact. In the meantime while we are talking a European company is pushing work on the Panama canal, the object apparently being either to complete it before work is begun on any other canal, or to deter this Government from giving substantial aid to any other scheme, on the ground that one isthmian canal will answer all the demands of commerce, making the other a dead venture.

Without arguing for or against any particular route this fact is apparent that if an isthmian canal was ever desirable to promote the material interests of this country it has now become a necessity, not only from a commercial but from a military standpoint. We have annexed the Hawaiian islands, we claim supremacy over Guam and the Philippines. This changes our geography and gives us territory on both sides of the Pacific and in the middle to defend in case of attack. This necessitates a large increase of our navy, distributed in two oceans, with 7,000 miles of land between. Such a canal would be equivalent to a large increase in the navy, for then the warships in one ocean might be speedily sent into the other in case of need, and there will be need of them in the future, and principally in the Pacific if we hold on to the Philippines, for there, in the scuffle for commercial ascendancy on that side, will be our weak point and point of attack. With the new departure we become necessarily involved in the game of European powers in their schemes for commercial supremacy and territorial empire, and can no longer be the neutral power we were when our boarders extended beyond neither ocean. Empire brings responsibilities and responsibilities require arms to maintain and defend.

While the advantages of such a waterway from a naval standpoint cannot be overestimated, it is of quite as much importance from a commercial standpoint, for it is among the teeming millions of the Eastern hemisphere that we must look for a market for much of our surplus products of field and factory. The eyes of European nations have been for years fixed on the yellow man's empire, and they all have been scheming and moving to get footholds that would give them dominating "spheres of influence," radiating bases from which they could expand their trade and make markets for their exportable products.

The Suez canal has facilitated the carrying out of these schemes which possibly might never have been undertaken or entertained if it had not been for the existence of that canal. It has been to the European nations in extending their trade and giving them foothold in the East, what an isthmian canal will be to us in extending our trade and increasing our prestige among the nations of the earth and especially among the peoples on both shores, and within the Pacific, with whom it will bring us into much closer relations. In these days of keen rivalry between competing nations, rapid transportation, which also means cheap transportation, is an important factor in trade, and every commercial nation seeks the quickest and cheapest way to reach its customers. The nation that excels other nations in that, other things being equal, will win the prize and establish its trade supremacy.

If we are to take the position we aspire to and compete with other nations which have the Suez canal as a highway, and with Russia which has the great Siberian rail highway, for trade in the domain of the yellow man, we must find a shorter way to get to him than rounding a continent, taking months to do what might be done in as many weeks, with proportionately less expense. That way is through the narrow neck of land that separates the two great oceans.

IN A HURRY WITH IT.

The fact that the financial bill was the first one introduced in the House of Representatives and also the first in the Senate shows that the Republican statesmen are in a hurry to get that job off their hands. This is further shown by the fact that the House bill was unanimously adopted by the Republican caucus. It is further shown by the fact that a resolution has been introduced for its immediate consideration, and that the time for discussion is to be limited to one week, when the gag will be applied and the bill rushed through as agreed upon by the Republican financiers.

There will be more time given for debate on the Senate bill for the gag rule does not apply in the Senate, but the probabilities are that the Senate bill will finally pass substantially as drafted. Then the conference committee will get together to compromise and adjust the differences between the two bills and we will have what the Republican gold-standard reformers call "financial reform." This is a cut and dried job which had, as far as the Republican Solons of each House are concerned, been practically agreed upon and decided before it was offered for debate at all, so that the debate will be a mere matter of form which will not materially affect the final action.

But doesn't it look like a farce that a measure in which the whole country is as vitally interested as it is in a financial scheme, that its consideration should be limited to one week, and that it should be rushed through as agreed upon by a party caucus? Of course it may be desirable that measures of this kind should not be unnecessarily protracted in discussion, but in all such matters, when such great interests are involved, it is better to make haste slowly, act with due deliberation and try to avoid the blunders that haste may cause. To consider measures and not to rush them through without due consideration is what Congress is supposed to have been instituted for. Congress is supposed to be deliberative body, not a foot ball team, where rush is the order. But the Republicans have the reins and the whip now, and they are going to run things there own way, if they can.

BOOK NOTICES.

The December or Christmas number of *Frank Leslie's Magazine* is a very attractive one, containing much matter appropriate to the season, and finely illustrated. This feature will be especially enjoyed by young readers. Published by the Frank Leslie Publishing House, 141-143 Fifth Avenue, New York.

McClure's Magazine for December is a fine number, filled with choice reading matter, copiously and splendidly illustrated. Among the others there is an interesting and instructive article on "The Movement of Wheat," and for the story reader several entertaining stories. Published by The S. S. McClure Co., 141-155 E. 25th street, New York.

The Review of Reviews presents a splendid list of contents for December, the articles embracing a wide range of subjects. In addition to other papers the reader will find much valuable matter, condensed, in the departments, "The Progress of the World" and "Leading Articles of the Month." This number is handsomely illustrated Address The Review of Reviews Co., 13 Astor Place, New York.

Aguinaldo's mother says Aggi is a good boy, but the other fellows lead him into trouble. He isn't quite "civilized" enough to catch onto their racket. The old lady doesn't seem to have as high an opinion of her boy as Consul Wildman and other American gentlemen have.

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup The best remedy for Consumption. Cures Coughs, Colds, Grippe, Bronchitis, Hoarseness, Asthma, Whooping-cough, Croup. Small doses; quick, sure results. *Dr. Bull's Pills cure Constipation. Trial, 10 for 5c.*

GLAD TO SEE THEM GO

A Havana dispatch published in the STAR yesterday, in reference to the reception of the President's message, after stating that the allusions to Cuba were favorably regarded by all classes of people, concludes with the remark that while the Cubans are not particularly anxious as to the time when the American troops will be removed, "everybody would be glad to see the black troops go, because of the excesses they commit."

There is, as far as we know, no prejudice against the negro in Cuba, such as there is in this country, although there are race distinctions there as there are in all countries where different races are thrown into contact with each other, but there seems to be a decided feeling against the American negro in the soldier's uniform, not on account of his color, but on account of the "excesses committed" by those negro soldiers. This feeling is not strange, for while there has been little trouble with white soldiers in Cuba, there have been a good deal with the negro soldiers, who have at various times caused disturbances that would have resulted seriously if it had not been for the prompt action of the military authorities, supported by white soldiers.

But this has been the history of the black soldiers everywhere since the outbreak of the war with Spain. Their conduct in camp both in this country and elsewhere has been a disappointment, especially when under the command of men of their own color, for whom it seems they didn't have respect enough to obey. The idea with the average black man is that when he gets inside of a uniform his individuality and his importance become magnified, and he becomes superior to the civil law and has a right to defy the man who undertakes to enforce it. The result has been that the negro as a soldier has lost caste, even with those who once thought there was some good soldier material in him, and that he would be found very useful in garrisoning and upholding our authority in our acquisitions from Spain.

Mr. Kipling should feel kindly towards the beggars. His "Absent-Minded Beggar" poem has brought him in so far about $45,000.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Chatham *Record*: Mrs. Rebecca Allen, of Hadley township, died last spring at the age of 87 years, and was buried in her wedding dress that was worn at her marriage 69 years before, and on which was no spot or blemish.

— Newbern *Journal*: J. W. Peacock, trading as J. W. Peacock & Son, at Fremont, Wane county, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy Wednesday. This makes the sixteenth case since the Bankruptcy Act went into effect that has been filed in the court here. Of this number Lenoir county has contributed six, Craven five, Wayne three, Beaufort one and Pasquotank one.

— Greensboro *Telegram*: The blockader, Wm H Honeycutt, who was arrested in Johnson City, Tenn., on Monday, will be brought to Greensboro and lodged in Guilford jail for safe keeping until the next term of Federal Court at Statesville. Honeycutt shot and killed Deputy Marshal Greer, in Mitchell county several weeks ago, and then killed M. S. Philips, who witnessed the shooting of Greer. The revenue people say that Honeycutt is the most desperate blockader they have ever had to contend with. —— Most of the twenty patients remaining at the State Normal and Industrial College are reported much better and the majority of these are convalescent.

— Rockingham *Anglo-Saxon*: Mr. Elija Covington an aged citizen of Black Jack township, died at his home last Sunday after a long illness. He served in the Confederate army. —— Mr. James McNeill, a well known citizen and farmer of this section, died last Friday night of dropsy of the heart. He was about 60 years of age. —— The store and contents of Messrs. Diggs & Diggs, in Wolf Pit township, about ten miles from Rockingham, was burned between midnight and day Tuesday morning. Mr. Dick William son, their salesman, who sleep in the store, barely escaped with his life. They had a $2,500 to $3,000 stock of goods, which is almost a total loss, together with the building, as we hear they had but very little insurance.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: A few minutes before eleven o'clock this (Wednesday) morning a fire originating from the boiler spread like wild fire over the plant of the Hickson Lumber Company in southwest Fayetteville, and in less than an hour and a half, $8,000 worth of property was destroyed. The plant destroyed was the property of H. A. Rankin & Co., and was under lease to the Hickson Lumber Company. Besides the plant used by the latter company, Mr. Rankin's splendidly equipped Novelty Works was totally destroyed with all its contents. Rankin Company's loss is estimated at fully $6000, with only $2,000 insurance, and the loss of the Hickson Lumber Company is estimated by Mr. John F. Hickson, the manager, at fully 2,500. with $2. 300 insurance. Hardly had the excitement over the fire of the big planing factory subsided before the alarm again rang out, and as we go to press the handsome residence of Capt. A. B. Williams, on Gillespie street, one of the historic houses of Fayetteville, is still burning, though the flames are under control. It is a dismantled wreck, the roof having fallen in.

A Thousand Tongues

Could not express the rapture of Annie E. Springer, of 1125 Howard street, Philadelphia, Pa., when she found that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption had completely cured her of a hacking cough that for many years had made life a burden. All other remedies and doctors could give her no help, but she says of this Royal Cure—"It soon removed the pain in my chest and I can now sleep soundly, something I can scarcely remember doing before. I feel like sounding its praises throughout the Universe." So will every one who tries Dr. King's New Discovery for any trouble of the Throat, Chest or Lungs. Price 50 cents and $1.00. Trial bottles 10 cents at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store; every bottle guaranteed. †

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— A London firm of caterers has sent to the British troops in South Africa a Christmas present in the form of 22,400 puddings of various sizes. The dispatches of a week or so ago told that some tons of plum pudding had been or would be forwarded to the troops. The Queen has made provisions for presenting to every one of her soldiers in South Africa a small quantity of chocolate. So much for the commissariat of Tommy Atkins. Meantime his Boer enemy is eating parched corn, and fighting like a demon —*Savannah News, Dem:*

—— Coarse cotton shirtings, refined petroleum, flour and lumber are now the principal commodities exported to China. The Chinese Minister tells the correspondent of the Boston Transcript that American trade might be almost indefinitely extended by a study of the requirements of the Chinese markets and by fair dealing. China is traversed in nearly every direction by canals, which furnish slow but very cheap transportation; hence imported merchandise is readily delivered in the interior of the Empire. The most serious obstacle to trade is internal taxation levied at the border line of every province.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

—— At the beginning of the war with Spain Congress published the following declaration: "That the United States hereby disclaims any disposition or intention to exercise sovereignty, jurisdiction or control over said island, (Cuba,) except for the pacification thereof, and asserts its determination when that is accomplished to leave the government and control of the island to its people." Does not this resolution, it is noted, "apply in good conscience" and with equal force to every island and people that we now hold as a consequence of that war? Conscientious Congressmen should consider the question very seriously. There is but one answer to it.—*Charleston News and Courier, Dem*

APPOINTMENTS

For Visitation by the Bishop of East Carolina.

December 10th, Sunday, second in Advent, M. P., St. Peter's, Gates county.

December 10th, Sunday, second in Advent, E. P., St. Mary's, Gatesville.

December 11th, Monday, Com., St. Mary's, Gatesville.

December 13th, Wednesday, St. Barnabas', Murfreesboro

December 17th, Sunday, third in Advent, M. P., St. Mark's, Roxobel.

December 17th, Sunday, third in Advent, E. P., Grace Church, Woodville.

December 21st, Thursday Fest, St. Thomas, St. Thomas', Windsor.

December 24th, Sunday, fourth in Advent, M. P., Advent, Williamston.

December 25th, Christmas, Grace, Plymouth.

December 31st, Sunday after Christmas, St. Thomas', Atkinson.

Holy communion at all morning services.

The children catechised when practicable.

The vestries will pleased be prepared to meet the bishop.

Offerings to be for Diocesan Missions.

TWINKLINGS.

— "What does your father do, my young man?" Oh, he dosen't have to work! He's a policeman.

— "Well, he said, "the Boers are on the move." "Yes," she replied, looking at the clock, "but there are some exceptions"—*Buffalo Commercial.*

— Mutually Careful: "Bobby, you mustn't play with that little Dicky Jones; he isn't a good boy." "All right, ma. I can't play with him anyway: that's what his mother told him about me."—*Puck*

—Quinn—"When women imagine themselves wits they are a menace to the community." DeFonte—"You must have met some of late." Quinn—"Yes, my wife. She asked me if a sea horse was in any way related to a bay mare."—*Chicago News.*

— Maude—"Mr. De Jones asked me to sing for him the other evening after we had been introduced." Clara—"And what did you sing?" Maude—"Why, how do you know that I sang at all?" Clara—"Well, I noticed that he didn't ask you to sing to night."

— The Automobile—"Get out of the way there, you old stiff! You're a has been." The Horse—"Perhaps. But will you please tell me from what part of your anatomy they cut the porter house steaks?"—*Omaha World Herald.*

— The Prospective Feature: "Ruggles, if I had such a cough as that I should do something for it." "That cough, Whiggins, is indispensable. When a life insurance agent calls to see me I turn it on and he never stay longer than about three minutes."

— Lawyer (in breach-of-promise case)—"The plaintiff says you kissed her continually when you called on her." Defendant—"Well, I don't deny it; but I did it in self-defence." Lawyer—"How is that?" Defendant—"It was the only way I could keep her from singing."

— "Young man," asked the proprietor of the store, who was making the rounds of the various departments, "how can you afford to dress so elaborately and expensively on the salary we pay you?" "I can't," gloomily answered the salesman. "I ought to have more salary."—*Chicago Tribune.*

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver, of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up Fortunately, a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters;' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

Valuable Old Stirrups.

A pair of iron stirrups were sold for $13,500 at the Forman sale in London. They were made for Matthias Corvinus, king of Hungary, and are partly plated with silver, parcel gilt and chased, each one of the outer sides having an exquisite border of translucent cloisonne enamel on gold six and one-half inches high and six inches wide. The work is Italian of the end of the sixteenth century.

HIS FORTUNE IN A DREAM.

But Everybody Is Not Expected to Believe the Story.

There lived at Swaffham, in Norfolk, a hardworking, industrious man, who followed the trade of a tinker.

This man dreamed one night that if he took a journey to London and placed himself on a certain part of London bridge he should there meet with a person who would communicate something to him of great importance to his future prospects in life.

This dream made some impression on the tinker's mind, and he related it very circumstantially to his wife in the morning. She, however, half laughed and half scolded at him for his folly in paying attention to such idle fancies and told him he had better get up and go to work.

The next night he dreamed the same again and likewise the third night, when the impression was so powerful on his mind that he determined, in spite of the remonstrances of his wife and the ridicule of his neighbors, to "go to London and see the upshot of it."

Accordingly, having made arrangements as to the management of his business during his absence, he furnished himself with a sum of money and set off on foot for the metropolis, distant about 90 miles. He reached the end of his journey late on the third day, and, having refreshed himself with a night's rest, he took his station the next morning on a part of the bridge which corresponded with the description in his dream.

There he stood all that day without any communication to the purpose of his journey. The next day it was the same and the third, so that toward night his confidence in his dream as well as his patience began to be considerably shaken, and he inwardly cursed himself for his folly in not yielding to his wife's advice and resolved that next day he would leave London and make the best of his way home again.

However, he kept his station until late in the evening, when just as he was about to leave it a stranger who had noticed him standing doggedly and with anxious looks on the same spot for some days accosted him and asked what he was waiting there for. After some hesitation the tinker told him his errand, without, however, acquainting him with the place he came from.

The stranger smiled at his simplicity and advised him to go home and in future pay no attention to dreams.

"I myself," said he, "if I were disposed to put faith in such things, might now go 100 miles into the country upon a similar errand. I dreamed three nights this week that if I went to a place called Swaffham, in Norfolk, and dug under an apple tree in a certain garden on the north side of the town, I should find a box of money, but I have something else to do than to run after such idle fancies. No, no, my friend; go home and work well at your calling, and you will find there the riches you are seeking here."

The tinker was astonished. This, he doubted not, was the information he was seeking, but he said nothing further to the stranger than to thank him for his advice and to declare his determination to follow it. He immediately went to his lodging and the next day set off for home, which he reached safe.

He said but little to his wife on the subject of his journey, but rose early the next morning and commenced digging on the spot supposed to be pointed out by the stranger. After proceeding in his work a few feet downward his spade struck against a hard substance, which, upon clearing the mold from the top of it, proved to be an iron chest. He quickly removed it to his house, and, having with some difficulty broken off the lid, to his great joy found it full of money.

After securing this treasure he discovered upon the outside of the chest an inscription, which, being no scholar, he was unable to decipher. He therefore hit upon the following expedient to ascertain its meaning:

There was in the town a grammar school, several of the pupils from which were constantly in the habit of passing his smithy on their way to and from school. The tinker judged that by placing the chest at the door it would excite the attention of the boys, and thus he should be able to obtain the object in view without exciting any suspicion among his neighbors.

He soon had the opportunity he sought. A number of the boys having gathered round, as was their custom, to witness the operations of the forge, he took occasion to challenge their scholastic skill in the translation of the inscription. Some shook their heads; others, after conning over it awhile, said it was not sufficiently legible.

At length, one older than the rest, anxious to display his superior learning, after scraping and brushing off the rust, gave the following solution of it:

Where this stood
Is another twice as good.

Overjoyed at this information, the tinker next morning resumed his labor, and, a little below the ground already cleared, he found a second chest double the size of the first, and, like it, filled with gold and silver coin.

The account goes on to state that, becoming thus suddenly a wealthy man, the tinker showed his gratitude to Providence by building a new chancel to the church, the old one being out of repair.

And, whatever fiction the marvelous taste of those ages may have mixed up with the tale, certain it is that there is shown at this day a monument in Swaffham church having an effigy in marble, said to be that of the tinker, with his dog at his side, and his tools and implements of trade lying around him.—Mirror.

Costly Admiration.

A characteristic story of General Lafayette was told in a Paris journal some years ago.

At Lamarque's funeral the crowd took out General Lafayette's horses, as the famous soldier was returning home from the service, and drew his carriage to his hotel with many evidences of enthusiastic love and admiration. The scene was a stirring one, and a friend, in referring to it some weeks afterward, said, "You must have been very much pleased."

Lafayette looked at him for a moment in silence and then said, with a whimsical smile:

"Yes; I was very much pleased—very much pleased indeed. But I never saw anything more of my horses, my dear friend!"

WILLIE WALDORF.

Now that England repudiates him, perhaps Willie Waldorf could palm himself off as a China Astor.—St. Paul Globe.

If the Anglo-Saxon alliance can stand the Astor strain, it seems strong enough for almost any old pull.—Omaha World-Herald.

It looks as if William Waldorf Astor had spoiled his welcome both in Europe and America. He may find himself compelled to camp out in the Azores.—Washington Star.

It is announced with some show of satisfaction that Mr. Astor's wealth remains in America. Europe will not object to this so long as the income which it earns is spent on that side of the water.—Exchange.

The Garden of Love.

She is a maiden so dainty and fair,
He is a youth at her side;
Love is the gardener working there;
They are toe flowers of his tender care,
And life is his garden wide!

Trust is the voice of the flowing breeze
That sings on its scented way,
Adding a pleasure when all things please,
Breathing a whisper of rest and ease
That tells of a fearless day.

Hope is the sun that is shining bright,
With a promise of life to be,
Giving them strength of its tender might—
Filling their hearts with a dear delight—
In the kisses that none may see.

Time without end is the infinite sky
That smiles on their growth from above;
Watching the blossoms that bud in a sigh
Grow into fruit as the seasons go by—
The triumph of Gardener Love!

—Thomas D. Lister in National Magazine For August.

If ever superstition could find excuse, it would be when the expectant mother, calendar in hand, ponders the fortunate days and hopes that the baby's birthday may fall on a lucky time. It is natural to wish the best of fortune for those we love. Why not *will* fortune as well as *wish* it for the child?

The greatest fortune any mother can bestow on her child is a healthy body and a happy mind, and with this great fortune every mother may endow the child if she will. The child's stock of health is what the mother supplies. The weak and worried woman has a very slender stock of health to bestow on the baby.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription makes mothers healthy and happy. It does away with the misery of morning sickness. It strengthens the nerves, gives the body a feeling of buoyancy, makes the mind cheerful, gives vigor and elasticity to the organs peculiarly feminine, and baby's advent to the world is free from danger and painless.

"My first two babies were still-born, and I suffered every thing but death," writes Mrs. Euphemia Falconer, of Trent, Muskegon Co., Mich. "I was reduced to 109 pounds. When I was three months along with my third child I was taken with hemorrhage or flooding and came near having a miscarriage from female weakness. For two months I was under the care of our doctor, but was getting weaker all the time until I sent and got three bottles of 'Favorite Prescription.' I improved fast and continued to take your medicine until baby was born, and he is healthy and all right. My health has been good ever since. I now weigh 165 pounds."

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WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute			6½
Standard	16½	@	6½
Burlaps	5	@	5½
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	12½	@	15
Sides ℔ ℔	5½	@	6
Shoulders ℔ ℔		@	6
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	5½	@	5¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔		@	5¼
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 15	@	1 20
New New York, each		@	1 30
New City, each		@	1 40
BEESWAX ℔ ℔		@	25
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	5 00	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	21	@	25
Northern	27	@	30
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks		@	47½
Virginia Meal		@	47½
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle		@	1 10
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	16	@	18
Dairy Cream		@	18
State	14	@	15
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	12½	@	15
Rio	7	@	10
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5¾
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 lbs		@	70
EGGS—℔ dozen	17	@	18
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 75	@	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel		@	3 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@	10
Extras	4 35	@	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—			
Low grade		@	3 00
Choice		@	3 50
Straight	3 90	@	4 00
Pirst Patent	4 25	@	4 50
GLUE—℔ ℔	12½	@	15
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White	52	@	53½
Car-load, in bgs—White		@	50
Oats, from store	38	@	40
Oats, Rust Proof		@	45
Cow Peas	60	@	75
HIDES—℔ ℔—			
Green salted		@	6½
Dry flint	10	@	12½
Dry salt		@	9
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s			
Clover Hay	85	@	90
Rice Straw	40	@	50
Eastern	80	@	85
Western	80	@	85
North River	80	@	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	3½	@	4
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	5½	@	6
North Carolina	8	@	10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	@	1 35
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
Common mill	5 00	@	6 50
Fair mill	6 50	@	8 00
Prime mill	8 50	@	10 00
Extra mill	10 00	@	10 50
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	28	@	30
Porto Rico, in barrels	25	@	30
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	15	@	35
NAILS, 4 to 60, Cut, 60d basis	2 80	@	3 00
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess	10 00	@	10 50
Rump		@	9 50
Prime		@	9 00
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10	@	22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	1 25
Liverpool	83	@	85
American	73	@	85
On 125 ℔ Sacks		@	53½
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00	@	6 50
Common	1 50	@	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50	@	2 75
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5¼	@	5¼
Standard A	4¾	@	5
White Extra C		@	4¾
Extra C, Golden		@	4¼
C, Yellow		@	4¼
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3½	@	4
STAVES, R. M. W. O. barrel	6 00	@	14 00
S. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	9 00	@	10 00
Mill, Prime	7 50	@	8 75
Mill, Fair	6 50	@	7 00
Common Mill	5 00	@	6 00
Inferior to ordinary	3 50	@	5 00

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Schr Ira B Ellems, Marston, Antigua, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

EXPORTS.

FOREIGN.

ANTIGUA—Schr Ira B Ellems—153,748 feet rough lumber, valued at $2,500; 34 954 feet dressed lumber, valued at $700; 300,000 shingles, valued at $1,575. Total $4,775. Cargo by Kidder Lumber; vessel by Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 8, 1899.

STEAMSHIPS

Astrea (Br), 2,110 tons, Barry, Brackenburg, Alexander Sprunt & Son.
Skuld (Nor), 913 tons, Olsen, Alexander Sprunt & Son.
Ormesby (Br), 1,828 tons, Robinson, Alexander Sprunt & Son.
Haslingden (Br), 1,220 tons, Higgins, E Peschau & Co.
Baron Innerdale (Br), 2,139 tons, McNeill, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

SCHOONERS.

Wm F Campbell, 201 tons, Strout, J T Riley & Co.

BARQUES.

Antonio (Itl), 499 tons, Cafiero, Heide & Co.
River Thames (Nor) 454 tons, Quale, Heide & Co.
Johannee (Nor), 473 tons, Thorsen, H K Nash, for Paterson, Downing & Co.
Colin Archer, (Nor.), 639 tons, Martinsen, Heide & Co.

BARGES.

Maria Dolores, 610 tons, Bonneau Navassa Guano Co.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

STAR OFFICE, Dec 7

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market steady at 48 cents per gallon for machine made casks and 47½ cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.07½ per barrel for strained and $1.12½ for good strained.

TAR—Market steady at $1.40 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market quiet at $1.50 per barrel for hard, $2.80 for dip, and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine firm at 36¾@36½c; rosin firm at 97½c@$1 02½; tar quiet at $1.10; crude turpentine quiet at $1.30@2.00, $2 00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	59
Rosin	331
Tar	251
Crude turpentine	15

Receipts same day last year.—55 casks spirits turpentine, 16 7 bbls rosin, 150 bbls tar, 17 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady on a basis of 7¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	4 13-16 cts	℔ lb
Good ordinary	6 3-16	" "
Low middling	6 13-16	" "
Middling	7¼	" "
Good middling	7¾	" "

Same day last year middling 5½c.

Receipts—1,686 bales; same day last year, 1,364.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 85c. Extra prime, 90c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, $1 05. Virginia—Prime, 55c; extra prime, 60c; fancy, 65c.

CORN—Firm; 52 to 52½ cents per bushel for white.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide-water) 90c@$1.10; upland, 65@80c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 6 to 7c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, $2.25 to 3.25; six-inch, $4.00 to 5.00; seven-inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.50 to 9.00 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 7.—Money on call closed firm at 5@7 per cent., last loan 6 per cent.; ruling rate was 7 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 5½@6 per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills 486¼@486¾ for demand and 481½@481¾ for sixty days. Posted rates were 482¾ and 487½. Commercial bills 480¾. Silver certificates 58½@60. Bar silver 59. Mexican dollars 47¼. Government bonds strong. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds easier. U.S. 3's, reg'd, 102¼; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 109¾; do. coupon, 109¾; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 133½; do. coupon, 133¾; U.S. old 4's, reg'd, 112¾; do. coupon, 113¾; U. S. 5's, registered 111¾; do. coupon, 111¾; N. C. 6's 127; do. 4's, 108; Southern Railway 5's 108¾. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 55½; Chesapeake & Ohio 30¾; Manhattan L 103¼; N. Y. Central 133½; Reading 19¾; do. 1st preferred 58½; St. Paul 123¾; do. preferred 173; Southern Railway 12¾; do. preferred 57¾; American Tobacco, 111½; do. preferred 143; People's Gas 110⅝; Sugar 152; do preferred 118¾; T. C. & Iron 112¾; U

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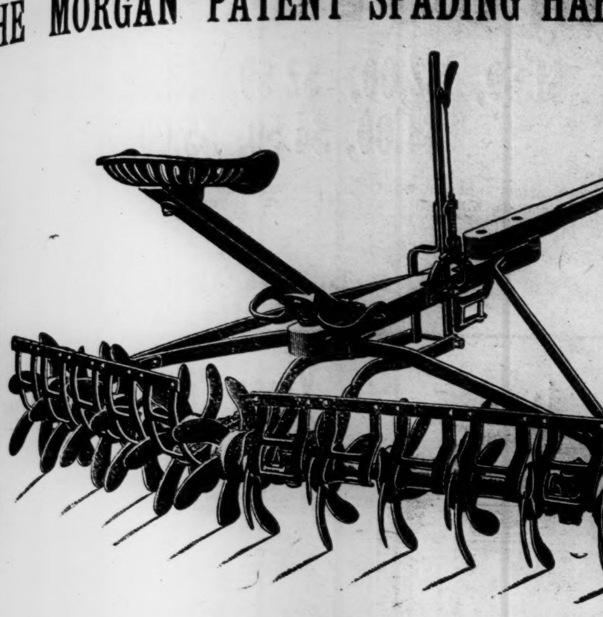

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Train 38—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9.05 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12.05 noon.

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Train 403—Leaves Charlotte 8:10 A. M. Arrives Lincolnton 9:22 A. M., Shelby 10:10 A. M., Rutherfordton 11:25 A. M.

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Train 402—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 noon. Arrives Monroe 9:30 P. M., Wadesboro 10:30 P. M., Hamlet 11:10 P. M., Sanford 12:55 P. M., Raleigh 2:00 A. M., Weldon 4:55 A. M., Portsmouth 7:25 A. M., Richmond 8:15 A. M., Washington 12:41 noon.

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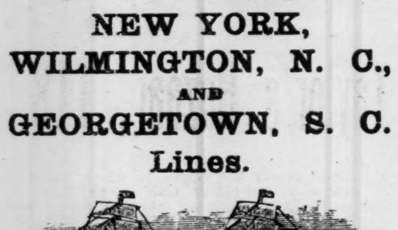

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TRIP TO SULU ISLANDS.

American Officer's Description of What He Saw There.

FRIENDLY ATTITUDE OF NATIVES.

Captain L. P. Sanders, Who Visited Jolo, the Principal Island, Says We Will Have No Trouble There—Customs and Unique Dress of the Moros—A Native Dance.

A letter was recently received at Helena, Mon., from Captain L. P. Sanders, who is on the staff of General Otis at Manila, containing a description of his trip to the Sulu islands. Captain Sanders and Colonel Potter were sent on the steamer Butuan by General Otis to ascertain the situation there and the attitude of the natives toward the Americans, says the New York Sun. Captain Sanders anticipates no trouble there whatever. He arrived at Jolo, the principal island, on May 28. Two battalions of the Twenty-third infantry are in charge there. Captain Sanders says:

"We were presented to the local chief and to several others of the party and invited them to witness the battalion parade. The band of the Twenty-third infantry struck up, and the companies formed in line, greatly, I imagine, impressing our visitors. The

THE SULTAN OF SULU.

American soldier is all for business, nothing for show, and his stature and self consciousness of strength appeal strongly to these people, and they unconsciously show it when our troops appear. I think that parade did much toward establishing friendly relations.

"After dinner they all came to Captain Pratt's headquarters. It was dark, and a lamp cast a dim light about the room. We were seated at the table, the chief and secretary on the right and left of Captain Pratt and their retinue standing up in the dim shadows behind. It was a picture I shall never forget. The secretary was dressed like an American save that he wore a fez and a white skirt. The chief was dressed in a skin tight costume of black silk, thickly covered with gold embroidery work, with a showy sash and beautifully made turban. Through his sash stuck his barong, the envy of us all.

"It had an elaborately carved onyx handle. The grip was of pure gold and richly carved and the blade of finely etched steel. The retinue behind, some in the costumes of the Moros, others seemingly right from the plains of Arabia, presented a most picturesque sight. Some of them were in fact recently from the Red sea, traders wandering off to these tropical islands.

"With Mr. Schuck as interpreter the interview began. The secretary first informed us that the sultan was sick at Siasi, otherwise he would have come to pay his respects. The sultan hoped the Americans would be friendly to his people and he expressed his gratitude to them for having driven out the Spaniards. He assured us that had the Americans not come, it was his intention to hunt them up even if he had to go so far away as Singapore to find us. This remark, as did many others, impressed me with the fact of their utter ignorance of us as a nation.

"Finally, he said the Sulu islands were but small and his people very poor, and he hoped the United States would not claim sovereignty over them. In reply Captain Pratt, avoiding political questions, expressed his regret at the illness of the sultan and said the United States would certainly befriend them, but that he could not say what the intentions of the government were as to taking the islands. Colonel Potter thought it safe to add a little more, and the captain then said that if we did maintain sovereignty they would enjoy such liberty as their conduct warranted, all of which evidently pleased the secretary and chief.

"Moros are altogether unlike the Filipinos. There is no striking feature about the Filipino that rivets one's attention, but the Moro fascinates and interests you from the start. He is of a rather diminutive size, a sinewy, lithe fellow, broad shoulders and thin legged, with boldness, defiance and haughtiness in every movement of his catlike tread. His dress is unique and has just enough of the Arab's costume about it to bring one's visions of the sandy desert, even amid these tropical lands. With skin tight trousers, buttoned from knee to ankle, short blouse cut off at the waist, bared chest, gaudy sash, in which is carried his murderous barong or kreiss, and gayly colored turban, he is a most curious and picturesque personage, essentially a fighting man, head hunter and a most formidable enemy. He detests work and subsists on fruit, fish and cattle, fights and hunts constantly, compelling captives of other tribes to do all menial labor. Slavery exists among them, each tribe waging war with its neighbor and the stronger holding in abject slavery the vanquished. His religion permits him four wives, who never live with him, but in neighboring huts. They are a tidewater people, whole communities living together in huge nipa huts built far out from shore above the sea and connected with the land by rickety, insecure bridges of bamboo. I crawled ashore on one and could not but think the shakiness studied, in order to make a surprise from land more difficult."

Describing a native dance, he says: "A feeble old man stepped into the circle of crouching Moros and laid a spear on the floor. The pots struck up a wild discord, and from a slow shuffle he rapidly worked himself into a veritable frenzy. From decrepit old age he was for the time transformed into defiant, lusty youth, and, seizing the spear, attacked imaginary foes all around the vacant space. His gyrations plainly told the story of discovery of his enemy, the death struggle, the victory and, with vicious slashes of his barong, the decapitation of the vanquished. Next two boys danced an imaginary spear contest, which showed clearly as they wrought themselves up how utterly cruel and heartless they must be in actual war."

When a woman worries herself to death about her husband's getting so thin, it's generally because she is getting so stout.—New York Press.

There's nothing satan enjoys so much as being overworked.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

BOYS WHO FLAG TRAINS.

New Industry Inaugurated In the Black Hills.

The recent flagging of a train by a Black Hills boy and the generous treatment accorded him by the passengers and railroad officials has resulted in inaugurating a new industry among the Black Hills boys. The other day passengers at a station near where the flagging episode occurred noticed a bright faced, ragged urchin standing near the track. Hoping to get a sight of the boy who had created so much favorable comment by his action a few days previously in flagging the train and preventing what might have been a serious accident some of the kind hearted hero worshipers asked the lad who he was, says the Chicago Tribune. He promptly replied, "I'm de kid wot flagged de keers t'other day."

Without stopping to verify his claim they at once began tossing him nickels, dimes and quarters. From that day every urchin who puts in his time at the depots in that particular locality is "the boy who flagged the train," and unsuspecting passengers have ample opportunities to part with their spare change.

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For sale, the timber on a tract of land near Bannermann's Bridge, North-East river, on tide-water. Over One Million feet of fine Cypress timber on this land.

Timbered Lands.

Two Hundred and Twenty-six acres on Roan's Island on Cape Fear river. Some valuable Cypress and Gum timber.

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One 80-acre tract of Land within half mile of Burgaw. None cleared, but easily put in state of cultivation.

Valuable Farm near Greenville, N. C.

A Farm of 250 acres four miles from Greenville, one mile from House station on the Atlantic Coast Line. One hundred and eighty-five acres cleared and in fine state of cultivation. One nice two-story dwelling with six rooms. One cook room and kitchen. One office. One set two-story stables with eight stalls. Two barns. Two tobacco barns. One 16-horse power engine, gin house, gin, press, etc. All necessary machinery attached. All kinds of farming implements, including wagons, carts, tools, etc. Also, four mules and one horse. Will sell all together or the land separate.

Farm of 143 Acres

In Long Creek village, Pender county—25 acres cleared, balance well timbered. Four acres in strawberries, 2 acres in apple trees. Fine grape vine. Large two-story house. One good New Store House. All necessary out houses. Two tenant houses. Two miles from Montague, a station on Atlantic and Yadkin Railroad; sixteen miles from Wilmington. Fertile land, in a high state of cultivation. A bargain for somebody.

2,000 Acres of Land

In New Hanover county on navigable stream; borders tide water. Three clearings on place—one of 25 acres with house and outbuildings on same; two of 20 acres each; balance well timbered. Twelve miles from Wilmington. Four miles from Castle Hayne, a station on the W. & W. R. R. The nearest point of the land to the Newbern railroad is two miles.

House in Kenansville.

One valuable six-room house in Kenansville, Duplin county, N. C., just completed. Known as "Birchwood Cottage," with nice office on lot; also, garden and outbuildings. Located in a desirable part of the town. Kenansville is a pleasant town to live in—famed for its pure spring water and healthy locality. James Sprunt Institute, one of the best schools in the State, is located there.

Fifty Acres of Land

One-half mile from South Washington, on the W. & W. R. R., in Pender county. Borders on county roads. Very valuable for trucking.

Property in Burgaw.

Four good Building Lots in the town of Burgaw, consisting of one-half acre each.

One neat three-room House in town of Burgaw, on lot consisting of one and one-half acres. All set out in strawberries except garden and yard.

A desirable building lot in the town of Burgaw, consisting of one-fourth of an acre, fronting railroad, and it is a corner lot.

Farm at Burgaw.

A desirable farm at Burgaw. The residence and about one-third of the farm within the corporate limits of the town. About twenty acres cleared; six acres in strawberries; one acre in fruit trees and grape vines. All necessary outbuildings. A nice desirable six-room residence. Farm contains 100 acres.

Tobacco and Truck Farm

Containing 265 acres, four miles from Magnolia, N. C., in the great truck belt. About seventy acres cleared; thirty acres of black branch land well timbered with curly yellow pine. Fine meadow land and best range for hogs, sheep and cattle. Five-room dwelling, with barn, stables and other out-houses. Nearly a half-acre in prolific grape vines. Lot of apple and plum trees. Beautiful oak and hickory grove surrounds dwelling. Good water. Admirably adapted to tobacco culture, and now has eight acres in cultivation. Also, two tobacco barns. Fences and ditches in good condition.

A Nice Farm.

A desirable farm of one hundred and fifty acres. Fifty acres is within the corporate limits of the town of Burgaw, N. C. Twenty two acres cleared. There is one nice, new three-room cottage, painted and plastered. Large stables and barns. A tenant's house, and strawberry packing house. A well of very fine drinking water. A nice orchard of 500 young fruit trees, consisting of Japan plums, peaches, pears, apples and figs.

A Real Bargain.

A desirable farm of 272 acres, three miles east of Rose Hill. Fifty acres cleared and in good state of cultivation, balance well timbered. Four-room house on premises. In good neighborhood. Will exchange for desirable house and lot in Wilmington.

Farm Near Ashton.

One hundred and fifty acres two miles from Ashton, four miles from Burgaw. Four acres cleared, most of which is very fertile low land. Balance well timbered for farming purposes. Two tenant houses.

For terms, &c., address,

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ATLANTIC & YADKIN RAILWAY.

Schedule in Effect March 26th, 1899.

South Bound Daily No. 52	MAIN LINE.	North Bound Daily No. 53.
6 50 p m	Ar......Wilmington......Lv	9 00 a m
3 50 p m	Lv......Fayetteville......Ar	12 10 a m
3 45 p m	Ar......Fayetteville......Lv	12 28 p m
2 30 p m	Lv......Sanford......Lv	1 43 p m
12 42 p m	Lv......Climax......Lv	3 44 p m
12 13 p m	Lv......Greensboro......Ar	4 15 p m
11 55 a m	Ar......Greensboro......Lv	4 25 p m
11 07 a m	Lv......Stokesdale......Lv	5 12 p m
10 36 a m	Lv......Walnut Cove......Lv	5 44 p m
10 09 a m	Lv......Rural Hall......Lv	6 13 p m
8 45 a m	Lv......Mt. Airy......Ar	7 35 p m

South Bound Daily No. 64.	BENNETTSVILLE.	North Bound Daily No. 65.
8 00 a m	Lv......Bennettsville......Ar	7 15 p m
9 07 a m	Lv......Maxton......Lv	6 15 p m
9 35 a m	Lv......Red Springs......Lv	5 35 p m
10 20 a m	Lv......Hope Mills......Lv	4 52 p m
10 40 a m	Ar......Fayetteville......Lv	4 33 p m

No. 46 South Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.	MADISON BRANCH.	No. 47. North Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.
5 30 p m	Ar......Ramseur......Lv	6 40 a m
3 50 p m	Lv......Climax......Ar	8 25 a m
2 40 p m	Lv......Greensboro......Ar	9 17 a m
2 30 p m	Ar......Greensboro......Lv	9 35 a m
1 15 p m	Lv......Stokesdale......Lv	11 07 a m
12 30 p m	Lv......Madison......Ar	11 55 a m

Connections at Fayetteville with Atlantic Coast Line, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad, at Greensboro with the Southern Railway Company, at Walnut Cove with the Norfolk and Western Railway.

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Schedule in Effect Nov. 19, 1899.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND

DAILY 9.45 A. M. No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.19 A. M., Warsaw 11.33 A. M., Goldsboro 12.26 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M. Weldon 4.32 P. M., Petersburg 6.21 P. M., Richmond 7.20 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.00 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 6.50 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.20 P. M., Warsaw 8.33 P. M., Goldsboro 9.27 P. M., Wilson 10.20 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M. Weldon 1.00 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M., Petersburg 2.35 A. M., Richmond 3.23 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.23 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M. Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M. Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.12 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12 12 P. M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.50 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.03 P. M., New York *9.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2.50 A. M. Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.21 P. M., Warsaw 4.12 P. M., Magnolia 4.25 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A. M. No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11 33 A. M., Baltimore 1 46 P. M., Washington 3.06 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 7.21 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 8.58 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.20 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.26 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.15 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M., Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.50 A. M., Marion 10.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.34 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.03 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 6.40 A. M. Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 3.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 3.46 P. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.15 A. M. Maxton 9.20 A. M., Red Springs 9 53 A. M., Hope Mills 10.42 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.55 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4 40 P. M., Hope Mills 4.55 P. M., Red Springs 5.35 P. M., Maxton 6.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leave Rocky Mount 7.00 A. M., arrive Weldon 8 06 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.05 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. M., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7 50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.05 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9 30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10 10 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.22 A. M., 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.02 A. M., arrive Latta 10.24 A. M., Dillon 10.36 A. M., Rowland 10.54 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.20 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.20 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 5.13 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.25 A. M.; 5.55 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.20 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.30 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.05 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.00 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.00 A. M., Darlington 6.29 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9 15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 10.55 P. M., arrive Selma 2.48 P. M. 11.10 P. M., Smithfield 3.02 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.25 P. M., 1.21 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M. returning leave Rowland 10.54 A. M., Fayetteville 12.20 P. M., 9.45 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.48 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.52 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M., 11.31 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.25 A. M., Creston 5.19 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.12 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.15 P. M., Sumter 6.03 P. M. Daily.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.10 P. M., arrive Elliotts 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

†Daily except Sunday. *Sunday only.

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

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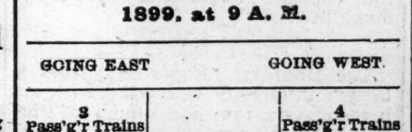

To Take Effect Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1899. at 9 A. M.

GOING EAST GOING WEST.

3 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	3 Pass'g'r Trains Leave	STATIONS.	4 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	4 Pass'g'r Trains Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
....	3 40	Goldsboro........	11 05	....
....	4 32	Kinston........	10 12	....
5 40	5 50	Newbern........	8 37	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City.	7 22	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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We claim to sell all good Wool Finish Serge at 5c; bright showey Twilled Plaids at 6c; one-half Wool Serge, double fold, at 12½c. A lot of very fine Silkaline, worth 12½c, at 8c; a very heavy Fast Colored Gingham in short lengths at 5c; one yard wide Bleaching at 5c; seven-eighth yard wide White Homespun in short pieces at 4c; lighter weight at 3c.

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The Morning Star.
WILMINGTON, N. C.
FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 8.

ROBERTS' ADDRESS TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

A Plausible Presentation of His Case—A Review of the Facts and Proceedings in the House.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 7.—Brigham Roberts, of Utah, who was not allowed to be sworn in as a representative in Congress of that State has issued an address to the American people. It contains much that was said by Mr. Roberts on the floor of the House and by Mr. Richardson who opposed the resolution of Mr. Taylor, of Ohio. After reviewing the facts and proceedings resulting in the appointment of the committee he says:

"The member from Utah is not allowed to take the oath of his office, and a committee is appointed to try him as to his alleged guilt of the offences charged. Nay, even more is granted than was asked, at least more than was asked upon the floor of the House. For a hostile committee has been appointed to inquire into the case. Its membership is made up entirely of those who voted to adopt the method of procedure.

"I ask the American people to stop and think what that may mean to this country in times of high political excitement, and party strife and passion.

"(1) A formidable minority in the House may be reduced either to a very insignificant minority, or even blotted out of existence.

"(2) The representation to which the State is entitled on the floor of the House may be denied to it—as in this Utah case—for any length of time this committee may elect to deny it such representation. Suppose that in this case the committee shall see proper to proceed with reasonable expedition to consider the questions involved, but what is there to hinder it delaying its action under one pretext or another as long as it pleases? It can prolong its investigations for two years as well as a month or a year, if it so elects, and meantime deny to a State representation, and may defeat altogether the expressed will of a people of a State as to their choice of a representative.

"(3) This new precedent also strikes down the constitutional guarantee of a right to one accused of a crime to speedy and public trial by an impartial jury of the State wherein the crime shall have been committed.

"The proposition is not to deprive me of my seat in Congress by the presentation of records of conviction for crime before courts before which I have been found guilty, under the due forms of the law. The proposition is to try me before the committee of the House, to send for persons and papers to ascertain my guilt or innocence of an alleged misdemanor, reported to have been committed in Utah.

"If I were guilty of the misdemeanor charged, even flagrantly so—here in the capital—I could not even be arrested for the offence, so slight is it considered under the law. The constitution gives the members of Congress immunity from arrest for misdemeanors except for breach of the peace, and yet for an alleged misdemeanor for which I could not be arrested while in attendance upon the House, or while going to or from it—I am deprived the right to take the oath of my office; my final right to take my seat is in jeopardy; the people of one of the sovereign States is denied representation, so long as it shall suit the purpose of the committee to have it so, and the expressed will of the people of a state is in danger of being defeated.

"It is true that the representative from Utah is a 'Mormon,' and just now against the Mormon people a wave of popular sentiment, created by falsedhood, chiefly by the charge that Utah has broken her compact with the United States in the matter of polygamy; that her people contemplate the revival of polygamous marriages; that the seating of Utah's representative would be regarded by her Mormon population as an endorsement of polygamy, and would be a menace to the American home. Upon my honor as a representative from the State of Utah, a man in whom the State of Utah has reposed their confidence, both non-Mormons as well as Mormons, I solemnly deny those charges. They are not true. The only thing chargeable to some few men in the State of Utah, is that they have not deserted the plural wives they married years ago, previous to the settlement of the polygamy question between the government of the United States and the State of Utah.

"Even continuing the relations formed before the settlement of the question, though their disruption was neither demanded by the Enabling Act nor contemplated in the provisions of the State constitution—are under the law a misdemeanor and punishable; but it has not been regarded as necessary to good morals or public policy, to prosecute people for this offence, and neither by the Republican party or by the Democrats, has the existence of such relations been considered a bar to political preferment until the political and religious enemies of the present representative from Utah thought proper to urge them against him. But such men have been elected to offices of high honor in the State of Utah, and others against whom such charges were made by affidavit were appointed to Federal offices in the State, notwithstanding such objections were urged against them.

"I shall do all I can to maintain my rights under the constitution. I stand alone, save for the very few who gave me their very guarded support by voting against the monstrous proceedings that prevents me from taking the oath of office.

"I am without a dollar at my command, except the salary attached to my office, with which to fight the battle now pending before the special committee. I am without legal counsel except for the kindly suggestions of here and there a word from a lawyer acquaintance or friend. I want the condition here named to stand as a refutation to the sensational charges that have been made about the Mormon church standing behind me, with any amount of money for legal counsel, and the maintenance of a lobby in Washington."

Senator Jones, of Arkansas, chairman of the Democratic caucus of the Senate, has announced the membership of the caucus committee to make committee assignments for the Democratic side of the Senate, as follows: Senators Jones, Cockrell, Martin, Bacon, Rawlins, Turley and Money.

Editor's Awful Plight.

F. M. Higgins, Editor Seneca, (Ills.,) News, was afflicted for years with Piles that no doctor or remedy helped until he tried Bucklen's Arnica Salve. He writes two boxes wholly cured him. It's the surest Pile cure on earth and the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25 cents. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

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AGUINALDO AGAIN ELUDES PURSUIT.

Filipino Leader Believed to be in Cavite Province, Where the Insurrection Began.

GENERAL YOUNG HEARD FROM.

Reports His Arrival at Vigan—Activity of the Insurgents at Imus and Bacoor — Movements of United States Troops.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, December 7.—The expectation of catching Aguinaldo in the north has been practically abandoned and the probability now is that he will turn southward, if he is not already there, with his destination Cavite province, his home, where the insurrection began, and where it has the greatest strength. The Filipino soldiers in that province have recently been showing increased enthusiasm and boldness, and captured insurgents say that Aguinaldo is coming to join them with a large army. The same belief prevails among the natives at Manila and elsewhere that Aguinaldo intends to make his headquarters in Cavite province.

There are about 3,000 insurgents before Imus and Bacoor, keeping the Americans sleeping on their arms and nightly awaiting attack. The Filipinos have several cannon. The first mayor of Imus under the American regime, who recently deserted, is their leader in the assaults and is ambitious to take the town.

Deserters to the Enemy.

Three soldiers of the Fourth infantry have deserted and are now with the enemy. Most of the inhabitants of Imus are so strong in their sympathies with the insurgents that it is necessary to use a part of the regiment to patrol the streets and to prevent shooting from houses whenever an attack begins. The American forces in the north have separated into many small commands and are pursuing bands of Filipinos. General MacArthur is engaged in clearing the mountain country west of the Manila-Dagupan railroad. General Grant is moving from Angeles toward Subig with four hundred men. Colonel Bell is sweeping south from Mangataren. Thus far the American commanders have been unable to locate large bodies of insurgents, although there were about five hundred in San Clementine, nine miles south of Mangataren, early in the week.

Gen. Young Turns Up.

WASHINGTON, December 7.—To the relief of the War Department General Young has been heard from, after a week's absence in the interior of Luzon. Gen. Otis cabled this morning as follows:

"General Young reports his arrival at Vigan on the evening of the 5th, having encountered a force of the enemy at Narbacan, ten miles south of the city, whom he drove to the eastward of the same into San Quentin Canyan. His troops are now pressing then back. Country is rough and strongly entrenched. About six hundred prisoners, who escaped, reported that the insurgents allowed all but the American and prominent Spanish prisoners to escape from Bangued. Later the insurgents were driven back into the mountains. Will send transportation to bring the prisoners to Manila and to supply Young's troops with necessary quartermaster's stores. Our casualties were one killed and twelve wounded; wounds mostly slight. Enemy left in trenches twenty-five dead, a few rifles, several thousand rounds of small arms ammunition and forty shrapnel. Young has sufficient troops to meet all difficulties."

THE KENTUCKY LYNCHING.

Crowds of Sight-Seers Crowded the Ground Where Coleman Was Cremated.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MAYSVILLE, KY., December 7.—Crowds of relic hunters and sight-seers to day crowded the cricket grounds where Coleman was burned by a mob yesterday, but there was no disorder, and rumors that the militia would be called out were discredited. Coleman's ashes, encased in a baking-powder can, were buried in Pottersfield to day.

Citizens of Maysville say that they do not believe the grand jury will attempt to indict the members of the mob.

THE AMERICAN COTTON COMPANY IN SMITHFIELD.

The Smithfield *Herald* editorially says:

Mr. W. M. Sanders, some time since, leased and installed a roundlap cotton press here, and operated the same for several weeks. In a short time, however, he discovered that to fight public opinion and to antagonize the best interests of the people was truly an uphill business. Accordingly he notified the American Cotton Company to remove their press and announced his intention to cease the manufacture of the despicable round bale.

Some correspondence ensued between Mr. Sanders and the company with the result that a few days since the entire plant, gins, engines, presses, etc., was conveyed by him to the American Cotton Company for a cash consideration of $4,000.

We congratulate Mr. Sanders for having sold out, and we welcome the influx of capital which the American Cotton Company will necessarily put in circulation in this community. We hope that the concern will spend $50,000 here, and it would not be charitable to wish it to lose more than half this amount.

For the past two years we have heard people speak of their "undying opposition" to trusts and extortionate combinations of capital. They now have an opportunity of "carrying their talk into practice." It is not necessary to visit New York or New Jersey to find the enemy, he is here within reach, where the public can strike him directly. It is not at all necessary to employ the devious and costly and unsatisfactory method of legislation to cripple him. The enemy has invaded your country, has pitched his camp, and with dollars as his bullets is attempting to capture the favor of the public. He has invited battle with you, and has placed himself in a position where every cotton raiser can strike him. It remains to be seen if all this talk of "opposition to trusts" is "blow" or business—which is it?

In some communities of the South where an attempt has been made to introduce the roundlap bale, the farmers have held mass meetings and adopted resolutions pledging their individual opposition to the system. Why shouldn't the farmers of Johnston county do the same?

STIRRING NEWS EXPECTED SOON.

All Preparations for An Advance to the Relief of Ladysmith Are Complete.

MAY FIGHT AT SPYFONTEIN.

A Great Engagement is Anticipated—Boers Making Preparations for the British Attack—General Methuen Has Again Assumed Command.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—General Buller's arrival at Frere is held to indicate that all the preparations for an advance to the relief of Ladysmith are complete and that stirring news will soon be received. The fact that Lord Methuen is announced as assuming his command at almost the same moment, is interpreted in some quarters to mean that battles will be fought simultaneously in Natal and at Spytfontein. It appears doubtful, however, whether General Methuen's force is yet ready for what will eventually be a heavy encounter.

The construction of the temporary bridge across Modder river has entailed enormous labor; and even now the structure is liable to be washed away should a heavy storm come. General Methuen has been obliged to move his camp a mile north in consequence of the unsanitary state of the stream, due to the presence of the bodies of dead Boers. As the railroad bridge was completely destroyed he was compelled to leave a considerable force to protect his communications. A special correspondent sends the interesting information regarding Boer tactics that Commandant General Joubert has given general orders to reserve fire until the British are within the close range of 400 yards. At the Modder river battle the Free State burghers became nervous, opened fire prematurely, thus revealing their position, and frustrated the Boer plans.

The government has decided to dispatch to South Africa at the earliest possible moment a cavalry brigade of about 4,000 men.

Great Battle Expected.

LONDON, December 7.—A special dispatch from Modder river says everything points to the fact that a great engagement will be fought at Spyfontein. The Boers are massing on the hills there, are vigorously building stone defences, and are digging rifle pits in every direction. The Boers' redoubts on Lazaretto ridge, west of Kimberley, are also being extended and strengthened, showing that the rumors of the intentions of the Boers to abandon the attempt to stem General Methuen's advance are unfounded.

The British have shifted their camp a few hundred yards away from the battlefield and are settling down for a week. There are some cases of fever among the troops. Much depends on General Gatacre's advance. There is undoubtedly a large concentration of Boers ahead of General Methuen. Practically the whole of their Mafeking forces have joined the Kimberley besiegers.

The Sortie at Kimberley.

An official account of the sortie at Kimberley, November 28th, when the British casualties, as cabled yesterday occurred, says:

Major Scott Turner, with the mounted troops attacked the enemy's right flank, capturing a laager and three redoubts. The enemy, in a fourth redoubt, made a stubborn resistance when Major Scott Turner was killed. The British captured many shells and destroyed other stores.

The same dispatch gives reports from Colonel Kekewich, dated December 3rd and 4th, showing the Boers were increasing in numbers around Kimberley.

The Boer advance in the northeastern part of Cape Colony is becoming remarkable. The local farmers are flocking to the Boer laagers, the townspeople, in many instances, welcoming the invaders with every demonstration of joy. The annexation of British territory proceeds daily. The reported Boer successes have made a great impression among the Basutos.

Advices from Gen. Methuen.

LONDON, December 7.—The War Office here has received the following message from General Forrestier-Walker, the British commander at Cape Town:

"Wednesday, December 6.—General Methuen wires to day that he has assumed command and is nightly in communication with Kimberley. The health of the troops is excellent."

KIMBERLEY, December 4, via Modder River.—Everything has been quiet here during the last three days. The theatre and the convent have been fitted up as hospitals. A number of our cattle have been captured by the enemy.

Orange Free State.

LONDON, Nov. 6.—The announcement is made in a special dispatch from Bloemfontein, dated Saturday, December 3rd, that President Steyn, of the Orange Free State, has joined the Boer forces at the Modder river. His appearance, the dispatch says, caused great enthusiasm among the Boers.

FREE CAMP, NATAL, Dec. 6.—A runner from Ladysmith to-day reports all well. The bombardment, the messenger adds, continues, but is ineffective, the Boer shells only hitting the houses.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—The *Daily Mail* publishes a dispatch from Julian Ralph, at Modder river, who says:

"The Kimberley people are troubled by the necessity of feeding 100,000 Basutos in the diamond fields whom the Boers refuse to allow to depart, and should they fail to get enough meat, would become discontented and restless. On the night of the battle at Modder river, Kimberley, missing the accustomed signals from here was in great anxiety, fearing that we had been defeated. The fact was that we did not use our search light for fear the Boers' guns would break the apparatus. Five hundred and thirty Boers were killed or wounded in the battle here. That number has already been accounted for, and the enemy's losses were probably much heavier."

The Brooklyn *Eagle* says that a lawyer intimately connected with an investigation into the affairs of the Franklyn syndicate has given information that Wm. F. Miller, the manager of the Franklyn syndicate, is under surveillance near Montreal, Canada.

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FINANCE BILL IN THE HOUSE.

Committee Attempted to Reach An Agreement for Its Consideration Next Week.

OBJECTION BY RICHARDSON

Senate Proceedings — Colloquy Between Senators—Joint Resolutions in Favor of Election of Senators by the People—To Limit Terms.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 7.—Routine proceedings of the Senate to day were enlivened by a colloquy between Senator Chandler of New Hampshire, and Senator Hale of Maine, over a bill introduced by the former to promote athletic sports at the military academy at West Point, and the naval academy at Annapolis. Both Senators became factious and at times sarcastic over the growth of athletics at American colleges, and Senator Chandler advanced the proposition that the cultivation of such sports as foot ball and similar sports at the government academies ought to be given the sanction of law.

Senator Chandler, of New Hampshire, offered resolutions instructing the Committee on Privileges and Elections to investigate the right of William A. Clark of Montana, and Nathan B. Scott of West Virginia to seats in the Senate, and to take testimony. The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Contingent Expenses.

Senator Berry, of Arkansas, offered a joint resolution in favor of the election of United States Senators by the people, and gave notice that at a later date he would address the Senate upon the subject.

At 12.50 P. M. the Senate went into executive session, and at 1.05 P. M. adjourned until Monday.

Senator Harris to day introduced a joint resolution providing for the limitation of the time a President shall be elected to one term of six years and making the terms of members of the House four years.

Senator Tillman, a bill giving soldiers of the Spanish war the same preference in civil service appointments as given to soldiers of the civil war.

Senator Harris, a bill granting pensions to persons who served in the Confederate service and afterwards in the army and navy of the United States.

House of Representatives.

The session of the House lasted only half an hour to-day. Mr. Overstreet, of Indiana, in charge of the Finance bill, attempted to reach an agreement for its consideration next week, but Mr. Richardson, on behalf of the minority, rejected all proposals on the ground that a bill as important as this should go through the regular channels.

The Speaker thereupon appointed the Committee on Rules, which is to include himself, Mr. Dalzell of Pennsylvania, Mr. Grosvenor of Ohio, Mr. Richardson of Tennessee, and Mr. Bailey of Texas. They will hold a meeting to morrow and decide upon a rule for the limits of the debate, which will undoubtedly consume the whole of next week.

Mr. Roberts, the Mormon representative, despite the adoption of the Tayler resolution, which in terms deprives him of his seat during the pendency of his case in committee, was in the hall throughout the session and occupied the seat he selected on Monday.

Mr. Meyer, of Louisiana, announced that he had been incorrectly recorded as voting "aye" on the Roberts resolution on Tuesday. He had voted "no."

Mr. Overstreet, of Indiana, in charge of the Finance bill, then arose for the purpose of reaching an agreement, if possible for the consideration of the Finance bill. He asked that an agreement be made for commencing the debate next Tuesday.

Mr. Richardson, the minority leader, said the proposal was unusual. It was that an important measure, perfected in all its details, during the recess by the members on the other side, should be brought into the House without having been considered in committee and taken up upon two days notice. He insisted that the bill should go to a committee for first consideration. There was no immediate call for the passage of his bill and he objected to the proposed agreement.

Mr. Overstreet asked unanimous consent to print in the *Record* an analysis of the bill.

"I understand the gentleman desires to inject a stump speech in the *Record*," observed Mr. Terry, of Arkansas. "I object."

Upon the motion of Mr. Grosvenor, of Ohio, a resolution was adopted to print 3,000 copies of the opinion of the Supreme Court in the case of the Adgystone Pipe and Steel Company et al., appellants, versus the United States, for the use of the House. This is the anti-trust decision of the Supreme Court.

Mr. Mercer, of Nebraska, then announced the death of the late Representative Green, of Nebraska, and after the adoption of the customary resolutions the House, at 12.35 P. M., as a further mark of respect, adjourned.

THE KENTUCKY CONTEST.

Probability That Decision Will be in Favor of the Republican Candidates.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FRANKFORT, KY., December 7.—The decision of the State Board of Election Commissioners, covering the gubernatorial contest, will be handed down on Saturday morning. The strong probability is that certificates of election will be given to William S Taylor, the Republican candidate for Governor, and to the Republican candidates for the other officers on the State ticket. The vote will probably be two for the Republican and one for the Democratic State ticket.

It is possible that one or the other of the two majority members of the board may alter his position and stand for Goebel, but it is not considered likely, and the chances now are that the conditions, which prevail to-night, will endure to the end, and that the certificates will be handed down to William S. Taylor and his colleagues on Saturday.

WILL MEET WEDNESDAY.

The Democratic State Committee—An Important Meeting.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, N. C. December 7.—The Democratic State Committee will meet here next Wednesday evening and it is expected every member will be present. It is declared to be the most important meeting since 1892.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, is seriously ill at his home in Washington, D. C., as a result of a fall from his bicycle.

AN APPALLING FIRE AT READING, PA.

Several Girls Killed and About Sixty Others Injured in Jumping From the Windows.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

READING, Pa., Dec. 7.—One of the most appalling fires that has ever visited this city occurred to-day when the extensive hosiery mill of the Nolen and Horst Company took fire, destroying the plant, causing the death of several and injuring about sixty other employes of the company.

The hosiery building was a large structure, and nearly six hundred persons were employed, most of them being women and girls. The fire was discovered about 11 o'clock, and in a few moments the girls were panic stricken. They made a dash for the fire-escape and the stairs, but found that the latter means of escape could not carry all of them down at the same time. Several hundred of the girls then made a rush for the windows and appealed to those in the street to save them. Ladders were brought into use, and many girls were taken from the burning building safely. Most of them, however, jumped and were seriously injured. For a few minutes from every window on the second and third floors girls leaped one after the other. Some lodged in the arms of those below, but many struck the ground. They were picked up and rapidly removed to hospitals or to their homes. Many of the girls who escaped by the stairways and fire escapes were badly burned, but none of them it is believed, was seriously injured. It is not known how the dead met their fate but it is believed they fainted and were then burned to death. The fire travelled with great rapidity, owing to the inflammable stock in the building. By those who saw the progress of the fire, it is considered miraculous that there was such a small loss of life. There is much criticism among the employes because of the fact that the screens in the windows, except those at the fire escapes, were securely nailed to the window sills. The girls had to break the window screens before they could get out to leap to the ground. Some of the employes say that the doors were locked, as a rule, after the employes were in the building.

The fire was caused by the explosion of gasoline in the singeing room. It is estimated that the loss is about $275,000, on which there is an insurance of $150,000.

APFAIRS IN THE FAR EAST.

A Radical Change in the Balance of Power at Peking, China.

[Correspondence of Associated Press.]

SHANGHAI, CHINA, November 9.—There is a radical change in the balance of power at Peking. It was the expectation in the East that Russia would seize the opportunity afforded by the British Boer war to bring unusual pressure to bear on the effete Peking regime. This was attempted; but thus has it far utterly failed, for a third party has made its appearance on the scene. Japan is undoubtedly in the confidence of the Empress Dowager, and Japan is utilizing the opportunity. During the past week there has been a gathering of Japanese statesmen at Peking. Baron Nishi has been appointed minister from Japan. He has had fifteen years experience as Japanese minister at St. Petersburg and is in the first rank of Japanese statesmen.

SEABOARD AIR LINE.

Granted Right of Way for its New Line in Charleston, S. C.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 7.—The City Council to-night granted rights of way through certain streets to the Chattanooga, Augusta and Charleston railway, a new line which the Seaboard Air Line has surveyed, and which gives direct railroad connection between Atlanta and Charleston.

The Southern railway has proposed that the Seaboard join the Southern, Atlantic Coast Line and Plant systems in the erection of a Union depot, and in the joint ownership and control of the East Shore terminal railroad which skirts this city's eastern water front. The commercial bodies and every merchant in the city regard the coming of the Seaboard as of incalculable advantage to the business interests of Charleston.

EXCITEMENT IN TAMPA.

Cubans Making Incendiary Speeches Regarding American Occupation of Cuba.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

TAMPA, FLA., December 7.—Cubans here are much excited over several speeches which were made in cigar factories this morning by Cubans whose names will not be revealed.

The speakers were bitter and incendiary in their language regarding the American occupation of Cuba, and advocated the use of force and dynamite to rid the island of all Americans.

There are several thousand Cubans in Tampa and it is believed these orators have come from Cuba to excite the colony and to raise money later on to carry out some plan of insurrection.

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A GEORGIA SENSATION.

Body of a Widow Lady Found in the River Near Macon—Negro Arrested As Her Probable Murderer.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MACON, GA., December 7.—The body of Mrs. Eugenia Pottle, widow of the late Judge Joseph Pottle, one of the most prominent men in this section and daughter of Colonel John Hamilton, who took a prominent part in the border troubles in Missouri and Kansas before the war, was found in the Ocmulgee river just above the city this afternoon.

Mrs. Pottle disappeared while on the way from Macon to her Jones county plantation on Monday, November 20th, and the search for her since that time had been unavailing up to to day. An investigation of the case led to the belief that she had been the victim of foul play and circumstances strongly pointed to Allen Fuller, a negro, as her probable murderer. Fuller has been arrested and lodged in Bibb county jail where he will await a more thorough investigation of the case. Mrs. Pottle was well known throughout the State and was a woman of marked peculiarities.

SENATOR QUAY'S CASE.

Senate Committee Will Hear Protests On Saturday of Next Week.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 7.—The Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections to-day arranged the preliminaries for the consideration of the protests against Senators Quay, Clark and Scott. In the Quay case it was decided to hear counsel on Saturday, the 16th instant, and that the hearing should be concluded on that date. Only legal questions are involved in this case and the witnesses were heard.

The preliminary preparation for the Clark and Scott case was placed in the hands of Senators Chandler and Pettus. They were authorized to decide for the committee what persons should be summoned and when they should be heard.

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Xmas Gifts of Furniture

are always joyfully received by those who love a cosy home and our line of Christmas goods this year is of exceeding beauty in the pieces in Gold Chairs, Desks, Cabinets, Side boards, Rockers, Morris Chairs, Parlor Chairs, Couches and China Closets. We have hundreds of pieces to choose from and the prices were never lower in our experience.

The Sneed-Fuller Co.,
dec 3 tf Second and Market streets.

$600 Worth . . .

of Drummers' Millinery Samples on sale at

THE LOT CONSISTS OF . . . .

THE BEE HIVE.

All kinds of Hats, Plumes, Tips, Feathers, Ornaments, Infants' Caps, &c. We Bought them very much below regular value, and we are selling them wonderfully cheap. You are invited to come and look over the lot and make selections. If you look you will buy at

THE BEE HIVE, W. H. GAYLORD, Prop.

JUST OPENED UP, EVERYTHING NEW.

W. H. GAYLORD'S New Clothing Department is the place to go to get anything that Men or Boys wear. We have just gotten in a fine new line of Men's and Intoshes, Umbrellas, &c.

Give us a call. We are at No. 115 South Front street, two doors from The Bee Hive.

W. H. GAYLORD.
nov 10 tf

ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY. FOR 10 DAYS MORE WE WILL CONTINUE THE

10 per cent. discount.

OFF ALL REGULAR PRICED GOODS IN THE CLOTHING AND OVERCOAT DEPARTMENT.

All Goods marked in Plain Figures.

A. SHRIER, OUTFITTER
dec 8 tf To Mankind.

Santa Claus is coming.

And we are ready to meet him with a beautiful line of Toys and Holiday Goods to please the little folks. We also have a nice line of Dress Goods to show you. A beautiful line Wool Plaids at 39c per yard. A nice line of Silks and Satins at 50c per yard. We have a pretty line of Furs at 10c and 15c per yard; also, Jet Braids of all kind for Trimming.

We carry a good line of Gents' and Boys' Clothing. Ladies' Capes at 10c 75c, $1.50 up to $4 00. Children's Jackets $1.25 to $2.50. A nice lot of Handkerchiefs—Lawn, Linen and Silk—for Xmas presents. We can show you a nice lot of Ribbon from 5c to 50c per yard. Embroidery from 5c to 25c per yard.

We have a large stock of Shoes of all kinds. We can suit you in Shoes, Blankets, Comforts, to suit the times. Children's Tam O'Shanta Caps at 25c to 35c.

Bring your card and have it punched with all cash purchases.

C. O. CAYLORD'S Branch Store,
Corner Fourth and Campbell Streets.
J. R. BOYD, Manager.
Bell 'Phone 557. dec 3 tf

SPECIALS OFFERED

Taylor's Bazaar, 118 Market street.

A Ladies' Dollar Kid Glove, in white, black or tan, with two clasps, only 75c per pair.
Ten Dozen Ladies' Hats, stitched brim and Tam O'Shanta crown, with quill, only 50c.
Long Quills, all colors, only 5c.
Five dozen Trimmed black Felt Alpines 25c.
Rough Brim Straw Sailors, Trimmed ready to wear, 25c.
200 Capes in all styles, in price upward from $1.00.
Ten dozen Ladies' Muslin Gowns, with tucks, full size and nicely made, only 50c.

Just received a new lot of Trimmed Millinery.

DON'T FORGET our new Toy Department at 108 Market street.

Taylor's Bazaar.
nov 26 tf

LEAVE YOUR ORDER FOR THAT XMAS SUIT

this week, and we will give you the handsomest and best fitting Suit you have ever worn. We have just received per Express a handsome line of Vecunas, Thibets, Unfinished Worsted and Cassimere Suitings for the Holiday trade. If you are wanting a Suit it will be to your advantage to see them. Under wear this week AT COST. Our line of Neckwear and Furnishing Goods will CATCH YOUR EYE.

M. H. CURRAN,
dec 3 tf 107 PRINCESS STREET.

Between Holidays

your supply of Groceries, plain and fancy, is likely to run low. What Thanksgiving dinner leaves, you'd better order now for Christmas. It will pay you to deal with us because of quality and promptness in delivery. Not less than on account of prices. We'll help you to make Xmas '99 the best.

THE KING GROCERY CO.,
B F. KING, Manager.
'Phone 267. Fourth Street Bridge.
dec 3 tf

"THE WILMINGTON SAVINGS & TRUST CO."

has paid $22,125.20 in interest to depositors within the last year. DID YOU GET ANY OF IT? If not, make a deposit in

THIS BANK, THE STRONGEST SAVINGS BANK IN NORTH CAROLINA

Depositors are requested to present their books to have interest entered for quarter ending December 1st, 1899.

J. W. NORWOOD, PRESIDENT. H. WALTERS, VICE-PRESIDENT.
dec 6 tf JAS. S. WORTH, ACTING CASHIER.

IT IS A MISTAKE

As stated in yesterday's "Messenger," that there are no Business Houses FOR RENT. One of the most desirable stores in the city, now occupied by Fishblate Clothing Company.

will be vacant from Oct. 1st.
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Roasted Oysters.

I am prepared to serve on short notice Myrtle Grove Oysters Roasted. Now ready on half shell. Open daily until 12 o'clock night. Northwest corner Front and Orange streets. Bell 'Phone 209. Inter-State 51.
GEO. E. SKEET.
nov 11 1m